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CHASE STILL FOR BOGDANOVIC

Melbourne Croatia still is working over-time to get star Croatian import Jozo Bogdanovic to Australia.

Begdanovic, 24, has been registered with Melbourne Croatia for more than a year, yet has been playing for NK Split in the Yugoslav Second Division.

There's little doubt that should Croatia finally succeed in bringing out Bogdanovic, it will have captured an outstanding player. He's a left-sided attacker and was leading scorer in the Croatian League in the 1883-48 season.

Bogdanovic played with NK Hajduk from 1974 to 1979, then joined NK Split, which was promoted to the Yugoslav Second Division last season, finishing equal fourth after leading for the first part of the season.

Bogdanovic has been sought by Hajduk Split, Dinamo Zagreb and Dinamo Vinkovci recently, making Melbourne Croatia's efforts to get him to Australia even tougher.

Croatia first got in touch with Bogdanovic late in 1983 and although he signed with the club early the following



Jozo Bogdanovic

year, he wanted to play out the remainder of the season with MK Split, which wooed him for the recently completed season by buying him a car. NK Split still wants Bogdanovic and that's another hurdle Croatia must overcome.

must overcome.

Bogdanovic last season
played in the Croatian fivea-side team from Split which
worn the national live-a-side
tournament and then added the
European tournament held in
West Germany to its honors
list. His team mates in that
live-a-side squad included
Gabric, Buljan, Surjak, Asamovic and Plazibas.

—CRAIG MACKENZIE



Polish international Janusz
prowicz — joins Katholos at La-

My feet haven't touched the ground yet! In a few months' time I'll be playing for leading Greek club Larissa against the Sampdoria of Graeme Souness and Trevor Francis. Unbelievable!

I signed a three-year con-tract with Larissa last week, realising one of my greatest dreams in soccer — to play in Europe.

Larissa won the 1985 Greek Cup by beating league champion PAOK 4-1 in the final.

And it has drawn Italian giant Sampdoria in the first round of next season's European Cup Winners' Cup.

I'm not going to hide how happy I am and I'm not gong to hide my feelings about the way some people in Australian soccer have treated me.

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This is going to stick it right up them!

My contract with Larissa makes me the highest paid hyperact the club. I'll earn [10] player at the club. I'll earn [10] player and payer [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. I club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. I club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. I club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. I club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the club frain [10] players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the players include Plitis and Ericket to player greak. A players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the player include the playing regulation, and a damager that the player include playing regularity and packet. I club at the player players include Plitis, auther two goalkeeper in the Greek nation. A club at the player players include Plitis, and be playing in Greece and Europe. I was offered free million drachmas over five years but I still was hell bent on playing for Australia and knew if I tried to establish myself in Greece. I'd lose all chance of playing regularly with the Socenous playing for Australia and knew if I tried to establish myself in Greece, I'd lose all chance of playing regularly with the



PETER KATHOLOS

Who has signed a three-year con-tract with Greek club Larissa

AEK Athens wanted me to sign last year but Larissa won and I was surprised with the constant interest it's shown in me over the past few months.

past few months.

When I was injured earlier this year and
was sidelined for a while. Larissa kept ring
ing me up, kept asking me how I was and
kept telling me to come to Greece I was
staggered by the way Larissa kept pursuing
me. And honored.

me. And nonored.

Like I said earlier, I've taken my share of knocks in Australian soccer. I was dumped from the antional team when I really really would have given an arm to play. That's in the past now. I've got new horizons and all I can say is that I'm going to give it my best shot. I've got confidence in myself without being over-confident.

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Charlie Egan hasn't paid \$500 fine

South Melbourne Hellas star Charlie E gan (pictured, above) has not paid the \$500 fine imposed upon him by the ASF for comments he made about the made about the national team earlier this year.

Why not?
Egan won't say. Neither
will ASF executive director Brian Emery.
"The matter still is proceeding, so I've got no comment to
make," said Emery, via his

secretary.
Egan's solicitor, Peter Pryles, issued this short state-

ment:
"There has been correspondence between Mr. Emery
and myself regarding Charles
Egan. That's all I can say at
this stage."

and myself regarding United Stage."

Egan. That's all I can say at this stage."

Egan the was imposed by Egan the was imposed by Egan the was not represented and did not make any representations to the meeting at which he was fined for "making public comments derimental to soccer."

The World Cup committee appointed NSL manager Stefan Kamasz, NSL vierself of NSL mana

We are unable to bring you up to date on the presumably on-going investigation.

- CRAIG MACKENZIE

Focus on Costa

osta Theodosopoulos, 22, midfielder with Victorian irst Division pacesetter Melbourne, recently returned om an overseas trip and will be the subject of a feature next week's "Socer Action". Theodosopoulos is ctured (below) next to the team bus of Greek giant anathinaikos and (above) flanked by Panathinaikos ars Mike Galakos (right) and Spiros Livathinos.

These confident words never

Call in Miss Marple! Get Hercule Poirot! Paul Jones has disappeared mysteriously somewhere between Zeist and Minsk and Mirko Runje is searching for a water-tight one from time immemorial has said about the sanity of goalkeepers.

"I've got a lot of respect for the blokes that have a go Joe Sweeney's one. He always challenges me in the air Always. There's nothing word with that it keeps you on your toes."

alibi.
"I'd slash Paul's throat if I "I'd slash Poul's throat if! had to," says Runje, talking about their battle for the goalkeeper's spot in the national youth team which plays during the international series in Australia shortly then heads to Zeits in Holland to prepare for August's World Youth Championship finals in Russia.

Russia. Runje's only joking, isn't

Runje's only joking, isn'the?

"Actually me and Paul are mates. We stayed together at the institute of sport in
Canberra last year so I know
just about everything there is
to know about the bloke, from
what size shoes he wears to
what color his underpants are.
But out on the field, it's a different matter: We're competitive alright, don't worry
about that and Paul knows that
I want that number one spot.
If Runje attacks his task to
displace Jones with the sort of
conviction he puts linto his assaults on plates of kranski and
evengeici, Jones is in big
trouble.

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 Mirko Runje (right) assisting Australia's under 16 goalkeeper, Corrado Nobile, during training.



The Victorian members of the Australian under 16 team during training, And another Runje is involved, Mirko's cousin Robert. From left: Anthony Grbac, Paul Trimboli, Robert Runje (behind Trimboli), Paul Cooper, Corrado Nobile, Stan Thodus, Australia's first game in the World Under 16 Championship finals in China is against Argentine on Wednesday, July 31.

"Peter and me used to train together and he was a big help, especially when things were going wrong and people were saying that I shouldn't be in the side."

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Runje spent II seasons with Springvale. He made his first team debut as a 15 year old in a - Second Division match against Hetdelberg-Bundors. Springvale won 7-0. Springvale and Runje haven't looked back since. The club is in State League for the first time in its history and Runje is off to Russia for a once-in-a-lifetime experience, after having established himself in the NSL. But 1985 didn't start well for Runje. Croatia caretaker coach Miron Bleburg would play Runje one week, then Zeljko Govic the next, in spite of their form.

"I won't knock Miron. He's a good bloke and he's a pretty good coach too, but I didn't like me and Zeljko being switched about like that and neither did Zeljko. But I wore it. You've got to. You're just a player and the coach is paid to make selection decisions like that. When Dom Kapetanovic came, Zeljko was injured so I was back in and I've done alright since. "To be honest, I was pretty shaky at first. I remember playing against Heidelberg and dropping everything under the sun, and Zeljko's been a big heip. We train really hard to gether and we've struck up a great friendship. We're like brothers more than anything

else but we still compete hard. We both want our game."

We both want our game."
Runje's Russian jaunt is
Croatia's loss, for he'll miss
the final five series. Govic, of
course, is an adequate replacement, judging by some office
dold Cup at, least, but can
Croatia realise its ambition
and become the champion side
off 1865?

of 1985?

"The talent is there for sure. It's going to boil down to a question of spirit and character. We've had an up and down kind of year. We've lost a lot of unnecessary points. We've been controlling games but our finishing hasn't been great. But noone can say that we haven't got the ability on our day. We proved that against Hellas earlier in the season

when we beat them 2-1 at Middle Park."

when we beat them 2-1 at Middle Park:
Croatia almost snapped up Runje early last year but he do be the park of th

"It's like a mini institute of sport. The facilities are world class, as professional as you could get. And the food's tops too."

If the food this time isn't up to scratch and Runje's bound-fess appetite surfaces, he may be ingenious enough to conjure up a rabbit stew.

up a rabbit stew.

"Yeah, there re all these rabbits running about the place and we tried to catch a few last year. Richard Bassingthwaigte had got injured when we played Real Madrid in this tournament over there so we borrowed his crutches one evening and tried to catch a few rabbits. We didn't get any though. They moved too fast."

Aki Kannania

fast."

Aki Kotzamichalis, Runje's team mate at Croatia and Springvale, also is in the youth squad and Aki's a big, big boy. I haven't heard rumors about his eating capacity so I only can imagine.

Now, if we can just turn Au-gust's tournament into the World Eating Championship

These confident words never would have escaped from Runje's mouth a few years ago, indeed, he admits that he once was "a bit of a sook." "I used to take it and never give it back." "I used to take it and never give it back." "I used that his eg badly. "That gave me a hell of a jolt. I realised then that the only that break his eg badly. "That gave me a hell of a jolt. I realised then that the only that break his eg badly. "That gave me a hell of a jolt. I realised then that the only that been going in hard ever since, as most Southern Division opponents have found out this year, Runje's first in the NSI. It's often stressed how important chance is in a player's career. In Runje's case, he has flarry Healey to thank for his success as a goalkeeper. "I joined Springvale when I was about seven but I played out on the field at first. I was a disaster. I kicked everything that moved, except the ball. Harry suggested that it might be safer for all concerned if I played in goal, so I did, and we got beat 15-81" Healey and a succession of other coaches at Springvale including Alan Hensley, Tim White and I an Greener, persevered, moulding Runjer Saw talent and always encouraging him. And Springvale stalwart, Peter Mur, also a goalkeeper, played his part. Three points a win; video for thugs; no Brits for kids

The fall in crowds is due not to a forest of highly imaginative reasons touted by every self-interested party in sight, but to the most obvious reason of all: an alarming fall in playing standards.

ing standards.

There is nothing really new in that. Standards have been falling, in tandem with attendances, for some 29 years. It's just that the falls have been recognised only by a minority—especially among administrators, the only people who could have done something about them.

That perhaps is due to not atypical panthy. It is, I'm sure most of our administrators who play the game and it is the coaches who coach them. So what can we office boys do about how the game is played and how the players are coached?

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ed?
That appears to be the irresponsible approach of FIFA too and I would concur most strongly with Franz Beckenbauer's recent comments that improvements in the game's entertainment value can and should be expineered from the administrative offices.

administrative offices.
And if that means changing some rules in the interests of the game's survival, so be it.
The other reason why we don't see Australian administrators rushing around crusading for improved stan-

dards has to do with publicity and their traditionally para-noid fear of slowing down the conversion to soccer of all those pagans who do not yet follow it.

those pagans who do not yet follow it.

I mean, to go on a public campaign to improve standards is to admit that the present standards are low. And that, folks, just ain't good PR.

In 25 years of observing soccer in this country, I am yet to hear one administrator grumble — even privately — about the standard of football. Some of them indeed hover precariously somewhere above Cloud Nine: grown men believing sincerely that our football is good enough to convert people away from the sports they grew up on.

One prominent officias ome to prove we are furch tigher than now — extually complained to me, asking why the SBS insists on showing "this Brazilian stuff and other rubbish from overseas".

Brazilian stull and other rub-bish from overseas". I had to snatch out at a nearby iron railing to hold myself steady. Our officials were no better 29 years ago. For if they were, much of the slump could have been avoided, or at least slowed down.

while world football in gen-eral has become less enter-taining over those years -basically because of tactical; evolution — the causes here at home were far mere obvious and spectacular.

and spectacular.

They began quite abruptly, circa 1963 when Australia was re-admitted to FIFA. Enticed



by the "bargain" deals Australian clubs would get out of importing players from Britain, a tidal wave of second-rate British players began to swamp Australian fields.

And it wasn't that they were British because Australia did have seems excellent. British

British because Australia did have some excellent British imports before then. Like the magnificent Alick Jeffrey, for instance. It's that they were second rate. In keeping with Austra-lia's infamous immigration policy of the time, British mi-grants could come to Australia wy farking out that 10 mid

lia's infamous immigration policy of the time, British migrants could come to Australia by forking out just 10 quid. Italian migrants, on the other hand, were only subsidised to half their air-fare.

So, if you could find a British player with some vague record of professional football behind him, and who was not good enough to have a transfer fee on his head, you could have him for 10 quid plus a signing-on fee.

Now it wasn't just the fat cheque-books of Prague and Hakoah which ruled the roost.

Every one could afford imports.

Everyone could afford imports.
In 1964, Leo Baumgartner and Mike Jurcekl played for Australia against Everton, the first tourists following the FIFA annesty.
Just a couple of years later Stan Ackerly, Alan Marnoch and Danny Walsh — good players by today's standards but oh so dull compared to their predecessors — were the Socceroo kingplins.
By the late '80s the stylistic influence of these colourless, skill-less imports on Austral-

ian soccer was overwhelming and the trend was all but irreversible.

By then the problem was not just the quality of imports. Far bigger, it was that young Australian players would learn from and be influenced by them.

And they were.

Australian players would learn from and be influenced by them.

And they were. In those years, as a zealous and idealistic youth, I remember writing to newspapers, moaning about the frightening trend and how it would kill the Australian game.

None of those letters was published. None of the voices which may have cried similar cries of despair, was heard.

But what can we, or at least our administrators, do about it now, if anything?

In my view things can be done and indeed it's never too interest of the property of the control of the property of the

put on a one-year trial out a xy-year trial.

Step 2: The game must be washed clean of its on-field thuggery and violence so players are given room and time to play the type of foot-

ball that entertains. By all means let the referees do their job. They, too, are human and are entitled to their mistakes.

are entueut to uner missanes, But on-field thuggery ignored by referees still should be punished, either on video evidence or evidence supplied by field inspectors. Oftending players should be clied for bringing the grand of the leve most importantly, clubs should be penalised by losses of points for a high rate of bookings and send-offs so the clubs and the coaches will voluntarily discourage thuggery.

Step 3: The import quotas should be relaxed to at least three visa players per team and then strictly policed. No three imports in the one team should hall from the same country and all three should be of proven class before arrival so there is guarantee that the Australian game will benefit.

Step 4: In perhaps, the most important step of all, and the one requiring most patience, the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should be shifted 380 degrees to ensure the coaching set-up should affor the flort should afford.

There are a slittle things in Australian soccer budget. We may not afford the Baumgartners, the Ninauses and the Jurcekia any longer. But a network of skilled coaching missionaries any longer only of improving the step should and should afford.

There are a slittle things in Australian soccer which could and should be improved, and until that improves, any other step is a meer e-arranging of the deck-chairs.

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38. Hoare (Black).

Biskic (M. Cr). 37. Wheatley (Black)

36. R. Brown (Marc), Dickson (W). 35. Bertogna (APIA), E. Campbell (BJ).

Campoeli (BJ).

34. Patikas (Syd Cr), J. Stewart (BL).

33. Franken (Can), Odzakov (S. Cr), Lucchesi (GG).

32. Thamnidis (IM), McIntosh (M. Cr), Wade (BJ).

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Mason (Marc).
Hamilton (BC).
Crino (SMH).
Ratcliffe (St.G), Max(ACJ), Stevenson

C'berra Olympians.....

Inter-Monaro..... Blacktown

Wollongong.....

Vedran Rozic of Sydney Croatia made a strong surge into third place in the voting for the \$1500 Boral Bricks Player of the Year award, but Graham Hon-

eyman of West Adelaide remains the outright leader.

Ieader.

The battle for the \$1000
Boral Bricks top scorer
award is hotting up, with the
lead shared by Charlie Egan
(SM-Heilas) and Jim
Patikas (Sydney Croatia),
both on 14 goals

Top vote-getters:
70. Honeyman (WAH).
56. Nyskohus (ACJ).
55. Rozic (Syd Cr).
54. Bryant (Can), Gomez

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BRISBANE CITY O PRESTON MAKEDONIA O at Speark. Crowd: 771. Ratings by Ricky Rosso.

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BRISBANE GTY. Wishart 7 — Archer 8. Wilkinson 7, Milovanovic 8,
Scringlia 9, Mengoti 9, Pimblett 8, Hamilton 8 — Fabrizio 6, Reis 7,
Scringlia 4, (Glockner 78th). Coach Tony Buesnel.
MAKEPONIA Trainedes 8 — Opashins 7, McMillain 8, Dobson 7,
Heys 7 — Petrov 6, Dunn 8, Illoski 6, Cole 6 — Lane 8, Spink 8, Coach:

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 2 (Gonikas 35th, Panagis 88th)
GREEN GULLY O, at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd 1200. Ratings
by Alan Crisp:
WA-HELLAS: Crook 8 — McGachey 8 — Hien 7, Brown 8 — Mousoulis 8, Genkins 9, Manou 7, Honeyman 8, Panagis 8 — Stamatelopoulos 7, Price 8 Coach: Neil McGachey,
GREEN GULLY Denys 7 — Young 8, McLelland 7, Cannell 8,
Hooben 7 — Cumming 8, Williams 8, Smallman 6, Campbell 7 — Lucchesi 7, Lewis 6, Coach: Stove Short.
Best sx for Boral Bricks Player of the Year award 6. Genikas (WAH), 2
McGachey (WAH), 1 Cumming (GG)

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VENTUS 0 at Schinder Reserve. Crowd: About 800. Ratings by Ken Kontz.
FOOTSCRAY_JUST: Boland 7 — Barjaktarevic 6, McLeod 6, Kyriakoleas 7, Karic 7 — Tapai 6, kodjo 6, Belic 6 — Carroll 5, (Lazopoulos 55th), Paton 5, Lujic 7, Coach: Rocco Ille.
ADELAIDE CITY_JUVENTUS McNally 7 — Luongo 6, Flounders 6, Nyskohus 7, Tobin 7 — Melta 7, McAdam 5 (Santrac 6 half time). Mullen 7, Maxwell 7 — Villani 7, Vidmar 7, Coach. Edmund Kreft.
Best six for Bart Bircks Bast Player of the Year award: 6, Lujic (FJ), 5 Maxwell (AC), 4, Karic (FJ), 3, Nyskohus (AC), 2, Belic (FJ), 1, Vidmar (AC)

oth on 14 goals

Penrith

LUKA BONACIC GOES HOME, TWO DOWN IN NORTH?

Footscray J.U.S.T. will take on Green Gully in their crucial relegation battle on Sunday, without star midfielder Luka Bonacic who returns to Yugoslavis today (Wednesday) after havingplayed only four matches.

Bonacic, formerly of Hajduk Split and VFL Bochum, was to bave stayed at least until the end of the season, but a knee injury has prevented him from playing on.

Although J.U.S.T. is confident he will return to the club next season, rumors were rife at Melbourne Croatal last Sunday that Croatia was trying to sign him for 1886.

If J.U.S.T. beat Green Gully only one point will separate the two sides, with one round to go. In that final round, on August 18, after a two-week break for the international series, J.U.S.T. meets George Cross and Green Gully clashes with Makedonia. Green Gully needs one point from the remaining two matches to make sure of avoiding the drop, as it has a better goal difference than J.U.S.T. coach Rocco Ille has to decide whether to give Bill

ence than J.U.S.T.

J.U.S.T. coach Rocco IIIe has to decide whether to give Bill
Lazopoulos a full game at the expense of Jamie Paton or Joe
Carroll, while Green Gully coach Steve Short has Willie Vassallo,
Ken Smart and Kevin Lloyd to consider.

The match — at Green Gully Reserve, St. Albans — should be

Ken Smart and Kevin Lloyd to consider.

The match — at Green Gully Reserve, St. Albans — should be the highlight of the NSL round.

Two teams may be relegated from the Northern Division. New-castle-Resebud, two points behind in last place and with a damning goal difference, looks doomed and under relegation rules, would be replaced by a team from the Northern NSW Federation.

We can help you build it.

31. Budini (IM), Faulkner (SGC), R. Stewart (SGC).

30. Ilioski (Mak), Kyria-kouleas (JUST), Gojevic (M. Cr).

14. Egan (SMH), Patikas (S. Cr).

10. Jankovics (Marc), Price (WAH).

13. Arnold (S. Cr).

11. Stevenson (H'b).

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Top scorers:

BORAL

8. Farina (SCH), Smith (Mak), Lowe (Marc), Lewis (GG), Morgan (St. G), D. Brown (SMH).

7. Kosmina, Gomez (SCH), Lujic (JUST), Zinni (BJ).

6. Reis (BC), Spink (Mak), Jurin, Dragicevic (S. Cr), Giampaolo (IM), Slater (St.

5. Kalantzis, Provan (SO), Colagiuri (APIA), Lamond (Can), Lee (SCH), Cole (Mak), McKie (Black), Gray (APIA), Maxwell, Vil-lani (ASCJ), Tasios (H'b), Petersen (BJ).

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By LAURIE SCHWAB

Penrith, Wollongong or APIA also would go down into the NSW

State League.
Penrith, which is in the most immediate danger, has little hope of beating Marconi, despite the suspension of Marconi right back Paul Carter.

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Similarly, Wollongong doesn't look good against Canberra Olympians who are desperate for points in their quest to qualify for the finals are desperate for points in their quest to qualify for the finals of the same street of the same stre

Weekend matches with likely winner in capitals: SATURDAY

Newcastle-Rosebud v INTER MONARO at Adamstown Oval, 3

SUNDAY

Green Gully v FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. at Green Gully Reserve, 3

m. St. George Budapest v Sydney City Hakoah (draw) at St. leorge Stadium, 3 pm. Brunswick-Juventus v MELBOURNE CROATIA at Olympic

Park No. 2, 3 pm.
Sydney Olympic v SYDNEY CROATIA at Croatian Sports

Sydney Olympic v SYDNEY CROATIA at Croatian Sperts entre, 3 pm. PRESTON-MAKEDONIA v West Adelaide Helias at Connor

Reserve, 3 pm.

CANBERRA OLYMPIANS v Wollongong at Bruce Stadiu SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v Brisbane city at Middle Park.

pm. Blacktown v APIA -Leichhardt (draw) at Gabbie Stadium, 3

pm.
Adelaide City Juventus v. SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS at Olympic Sports Field, 2.30 pm.
MARCONI v Penrith at Marconi Stadium, 3 pm.
Brisbane Lions v HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER at Richlands, 3

Team of the Week

In brackets: number of appearances in team of the week.

FRANKEN (3) (Can. Oly

ROZIC (6)

CAMPBELL (1)

CUROVIC (1) (Melb Croatia)

FARINA (2) (Svd. C. Hakoah)

GILDER (2) (S. Geo. Cross)

JURIN (1) (Svd. Creatia)

Youth leagues

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Frank Pines 2 7 16 22 78 6
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PENRITH CITY 0, SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Kalan Cook park. Crowd 1285. Ratings by Brad Earl.

PENRITH CITY Gibson 7 — Brogan 7, Ainsworth 7 (Toohey 91st),
Campbell 9, Cross — Wotherspoon 8, Hebb 5, Jackson 6, Hunter 5 —
Jones 6, Easthorpe 5 (Licata 74th), Coach, Willie Wallace,
OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Rogers 7, Ziras 9, Stankovic 6, Jennings —
Johnson 5, Raskopoulos 6, Katholos 7 (Koussas 62nd — 6), Ogun 5
Soper 7, Kalantzis 7, Coach: Manfred Schaefer
Best six for the Bord Birks award. 6, Ziras (SO), 5, Campbell (P), 4,
Meier (SO), 3, Wotherspoon (P), 2, Soper (SO), 1, Brogan (P),

APIA-LEICHHARDT O, CANBERRA-OLYMPIANS 1 (Sermanni 35th) at Lambort Park. Crowd 679. Ratings by Michael Mikolajczyk.

APIA Catlin 6 — Sterrey 6, Bertogna 7, Mariani 6, Brown 6 — Hamilton 5, Steven 6, McCulloch 6 — Caban 5 (Genovese 50th 5), McBride 4, Morsello 6, Coach Fill Bottalio, CANBERRA: Franken 8 — Mihalildis 6, Jones 6, Burke 6, Bryant 6—Dunn 6, Byrne 6, Sermani 7, Gibson — Lamond 6, English 6, Coach: Roy Thompson.

Boral Bricks best six: 6, Franken (C), 5, Bertogna (APIA), 4, Sermanni (C), 3, Gibson (C), 2, Lamond (C), 1, Catlin (APIA).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 2 (Farina 58th and 68th) NEW-CASTLE-ROSEBUD 0 at Sydney Athletic Field. Crowd: 1000. Ratings by Peter Scott.

HAKOAH, Pezzano 7.— Cant 6, Robertson 7, Gomez 7, De Marigny 7—Kay 6, Watson 7, P. Falconer 5.— Farina 8, Kosmina 6, Lee 6, Acting coach, Mick, Hickman.
NEWCASTLE: ROSEBUD. Costling 8.— Jones 5, Boogaard 5, Millo-seise 6 Thompson 6.— Maier 6, McCluarire 6 Owens 6.— Brandt 5, Senicialski 5, Naumov 5, (Stewart 68th), Coach, Willie Gallagher Best Six 6, Fornia (H), 5, Gosling (W), 4, De Marigny, 3, Gomez, 2, Watson, 1, Robertson (ALL H).

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS 3 (Initian 29th, 57th, Latir 49th)
BRISBANE (IONS 2 (Wright 2nd, J Stewart 74th) at Chaplin Reserve. Crowd: about 1,000. Ratings by Craig MacKensie.
SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: Kastner 7 — James 8, Bennett 6,
Richardson 6, Scarsi 5 — Mitten 7, Faulkher 7, MacLaren 6, Bain 7 —
Gilder 8, Latif 6, Coach, John Gardiner.
BRISBANE (IONS Evans 6 — D Hunter 7, Jackson 7, A Hunter 6,
Niven 6 — Bassingthwaite 8, R Stewart 7, Ogden 6 (Daunt 86th)
Anderson 6, Stewart 8, Wight 8 Coach: Gordon Arrowsmith.
Best sur for Boral Bricks Best Player of the Year award 6 Gilder
(SGC). 5 James (SGC). 4, Stewart (Lions), 3 Wright (Lions), 2 Bassingthwaite (Lions), 1 R Stewart (Lions), 2

MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Ward 66th) SOUTH MELBOURNE
HELLAS 1 (Egan 86th) at Olympic Park. Crowd about 3800.
Ratings by Laurie Schwat:
CROATIA. Runje 8 - Deankovic 8, McIntoeh 8, Antolovic 6, Hannah
7 - Biskic 7, Curovic 9, Campbell 7 - Lubic 6 (Curcio 75th), Ward 8,
Markovac 6 (House 70th), Coach. Domagoj Kapetanovic.
HELLAS Laumets 6 - Russell 8, McDowell 8, Blair 7, Postecoglou 8
- Bozinovski 5, Halford 7, Crino 6, Vardaxis 5 (Kanesoulis 69th)
- Brown 6 Egan 6 Coach: Len McKendry,
Best six for 8 oral Bricks Best Player of the Year award. 6. Curovic (Cr),
5 Ward (Cr), 4 Russell (SMH), 3 McDowell (SMH), 2. Deankovic (Cr),
1, Postecoglou (SMH).

MEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 1 (Stevenson 42nd) BRUNS-WICK JUVENTUS 0 at Olympic Village. Attendance: 4000 (estimato). Ratings by Peter Desira.
HEIDELBERG: Olver 7 — McKle 7. Angele 8. Yankos 7, Marley 7 — Christopoulos 6: Winn 9. Isolakis 6 (Mextaxas 80th) — Tasios 6: Stevenson 6. Selemidis 7. Coach: Brain Garvey.
"BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS: Banovic 7 — Lewis 7, Brown 8, Dowie 8, Campbell 6 — Clinal. Sweeney 7. Coach: John Margaritis.
Best Sxx for Boral Biricks Player of the Year award. 6. Winn (H.). 5. Brown (B.J.). 4. Angele (H.). 3 Dowie (B.J.). 2. Cullen (W.J.). 1. Olver (H.).

SYDNEY CROATIA 4 (Jurin 31, 35 (Pen) and 36 mins, Patikas 86 min) BLACKTOWN 0 at Croatia Stadium. Crowd 4800. Ratings by Andrew Dettre.

SYDNEY CROATIA: Watson 8 — Clinch 6, Rozic 9, Vidaic 7, (A Kovacic 53 min) Baaic 6 — Rozo 6, Savor 6, Odzakov 7, Jurin 9 (Dregicevic 66 min) — Armold 6, Patikas 8 — Coach: Vedran Rozic.
BLACKTOWN: Hoare 7 — Daley 6, Politner 6, Wheatley 8, Spanos 4 (Larkin 46min) — Selvage 7, Bradley 6, Bourke 7 — O'Connor 8, Thomwalte 6, McKie 6 — Coach: Casey De Bruin.

Best six for Boral Bricks best player award 6. Rozic (SC), 5. Jurin (SC), 4. O'Connor (B), 3. Watson (SC), 2. Wheatley (B), 1. Patikas (SC).

INTER-MONARO 1 (Carbone, 8th minute) MARCONI 0 at eiffert Oval. Crowd 907. Ratings by Peter Windsor:

INTER-MONARO, Hocking 8 — Tuilawa 8, Trilas, 7, Budini 7, Williams 7 — Willox 7, Carbone 9, Ambrosino 7 — Walsh 6 (Santolin Stst), Giampaolo 7, Brennan 7 (Thamnidis 68th), Coach: Frank Maccarone

carone MARCONI McPherson 7 — Rizotto 7 (Gunning 66th), Calderan 7, Marconi McPherson 7 — Rizotto 7 (Gunning 66th), Calderan 7, Jankovics 7 (Sharine 66th), Lowe 7, Brown 7, Coach Les Scheinflug Best six for Boral Bricks player of Year Award 6, Carbone (IM), 5, Hocking (IM), 4, Tuilewe (IM), 3, Tredinnick (M), 2, Titilas (IM), 1, Lowe (IM)

WOLLONGONG 2 (Stefanovski 72nd., Willis pen., 80th) ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST 2 (Morgan 30th., Koczka 40th) at Wollon-gong Showgrounds. Crowd about 600. Ratings by Knut Werner:

WILLONGONG: Vekov 7 — Green 7, Wills: 7, Vilestar 7, Gaffiney 8 — Dickson 6, Kotemandes 48th. 7, Bundalo 7, Hristotski, 6 — Godfik 7, Brodnik 8, Mishon 7 (Shefanovski, 70th). Cosch-Adrian Alston. ST GEORGE BUDAPEST, Greedy 7 — Skeen 7, Ratcliffe 8, M. O'Shea 7, Koczka 8 — J. O'Shea 7, Bozanic 6 (Stone 70th). Riscoy 6 (Perkoysk: 70th) — State 6, Morgan 2, Cotton 6, Coach, Frank Arok. Best six for Boral Bricks Player of the Year award. 6, Gaffiney (W), 5, Morgan (St. G), 4, Bradnik (W), 3, Koczka (St. g), 2, Ratcliffe (St. G), 1, Bundalo (W).



Leaders: 47. A. Hunter (BL). 46. Slater (St. G). 45. Bundalo (W). 39. Maxwell (ACJ). 36. Dickson (W) 33. Franken (Can). 31. R. Stewart (BL).

30. Gojevic (M. Cr). 29. Tapai (JUST), Farina (SCH).

28. Koczka (St. G). 26. Traianedes (Mak) 23. Runje (M. Cr). 22. Kalantzis (SO).



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McGachey on field

WA Hellas 2 Green Gully 0

corers: Genikas 35th, magis 88th

enagis 88th nue: Hindmarsh Stadium. eteree: Tony Martell 7. Ca-tions: Honeyman, McGa-ney, Mousoulis. (WAH).

The real West Adelaide Hellas stood up to be counted at Hindmarsh Sta-dium last Sunday when it downed Green Gully Ajax

And the man at the head of the Hellas revival was none other than coach — turned player-coach Neil McGachey,

player-coach Neil McGachey, who made a surprise decision to make a comeback to the NSI scene. McGachey retired as a player at the end of last sea-son, but came off the coaches' bench on Sunday to relieve a squad badly depleted by in-juries and departures. Hellas's pride was severely dented a fortnight ago when it was humiliated 5-1 by bottom team Footscray. After that game scribes

After that game scribes struggled to find three Hellas players deserving of votes in the various best player awards.

It was a very different set of circumstances this time as it was clearly a case of all playing well for Hellas against Green Gully.

Green Gully.

All concerned in the Footscray fiasco were clearly ashamed, but pride was restored with a vengeance as Hellas belted its way back onto the victory trail.

wictory tray lack onto the sweeper spot to allow Graham Honeyman to play in the mid-field. The ploy worked, but McGachey then switched his captain up front to partner Gary Price in the second half. Solidly built midfielder Mike Genikas put Bellas in charge on the scoreboard 10 minutes before half-time when be expertly first-timed a John Panagis corner past Lou Denys in the Gully goal. Youth Socceroo Panagis

Youth Socceroo Panagis made it 2-9 two minutes from full-time when he latched onto a rebound after Honeyman had chipped a cross over from the left flank that boggled against several boots and legs before Panagis shoved the ball home.

Gully fought desperately for the entire 90 minutes with Jim Williams, Tommy Cumming, Stuart Cannell and Claude Luc-chesi the ringleaders.

But whenever Gully got set for a shot on goal it was denied by a back-in-form Martyn Crook, who was well below his best the previous week be-cause of influenza.



Green Gully striker Claude Lucchesi lashes at goel, with David Smallman in the background, but the West Adelaide Hellas defence, led by Nail McGachey, could not be penetrated. Pictures by FRANK HOBB.



Hellas lost Brenton Hiern and Gary Price through injury in the final two minutes, but neither is expected to be miss-ing from Sunday's away match with Preston.

And that's just as well, be-cause Hellas last week added Steve Atsalas to its list of players sidelined through in-jury.

Atsalas had an operation to remove a cartilage and may have to face further surgery to

Man of the match: MIKE GENIKAS

(WA-Hallas) completely reconstruct his knee. Striker George Konstando-

Striker George Konstando-poulos also had an operation last week on his Achilles heel and like Atsalas will miss the rest of the season. Earlier this year Hellas lost goalkeeper Gary Sproul (knee) and has lost lan McGregor to Port Pirie and Alan Scott, who went overseas to see his ailing grandfather. Scott could be back for Sun-day's game, but McGachey said be was at the mercy of overseas airline schedules.

Lujic shows **Juventus** how it's done



Footscray JUST 1 AC Juventus 0

Scorer: Lujic 40th Venue: Schintler Res Crowd: About 800 Yellow Card: I

(AC)
Roforce: Tim Davies 8
Footscray JUST is still hanging in there but as Branko Buljevic said after the match: "Sometimes you play well and lose, sometimes you don't play so well but luck is on your side!"

so well but luck is on your side!"

Certainly, Adelaide Juventus had most of the chances in this match.

They controlled the midfield, particularly in the second half, and only its impotence in front of goal prevented it from settling the relegation issue once and for all. However, as it turned out, JUST lives to fight another day, and following the loss of Green Gully against West Adelaide, the relegation battle continues next week when the two candidates meet head on. JUST, three points adrift, has nothing to lose, so theoretically the pressure will be on Green Gully. Of course three points and an interior goal difference is not an easy handicap to overcome in two games, but while it's mathematically still possible to eape, JUST is unlikely to give up.

Back to the match at hand. I

Man of the match: ZDRAVKO LUJIC (Footscray JUST)

have seen Adelaide Juventus on a few occasions this year, and have always been impres-sed with its style and attrac-tive skilful, short passing

and nave always been impressed with its style and attractive skilful, short passing game.

If it only had more bite in front of goal, I am sure it would be right up there with the leaders, but as it is, all the good work is to no avail unless you can capitalise on the chances created.

In the finishing department, Juventus would have to be one of the most frustrating teams to watch!

At the end of the match, Adelaide Juventus's coached the most frustrating teams to watch!

At the end of the match, Adelaide Juventus's coached for most of the match, created enough chances to win two games and yet had nothing to show for it at the end of the 90 minutes. JUST had one chance and took the two points!

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subsequently championships. Very true indeed! Mind you, three of Adelaide Juventus's chances were easy enough for a junior player to convert, so the "lack of ex-perience" did not come in to It. Lack of concentration and killer instinct are the reasons that come to mind!



Adelaide Juventus striker Charley Villani (right) and Footscray J.U.S.T. defender Don Macleod contest in the air. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

air. Pictures by LES SHORR
Steve Maxwell who — apart
from the two glaring misses —
had an excellent game, was
the main offender. In the 22nd
minute, Juventus put together
several passes inside the penalty area, completely memerising the JUST defence.
The final pass found Maxwell about five meters from
goal at a slight angle. With the
goal at his mercy, he put his
shot wide of the upright.
Half way through the second
half, Aurelio Victmar crossed
the ball to the far post, and
Maxwell headed wide from one
tere!

minutes from the end of the match. Young Vidmar crossed, and Charlie Villani had a 'free' header from five metres straight in front of goal. He headed it down but did not place it well enough, and Dennis Boland had no difficulty in saving.

The all-important goal came in the 48th minute. Vlatko Belic "stole" the ball in the back drawko Lujic on the left. Lujic outsped Ernie Lungo and planted the ball in the back of the net under the body of the diving goalkeeper, Willie MeNally. diving goalkeeper, McNally.



Footscray J.U.S.T. midfielders Jadranko Kodjo (front) and Vlatko Belic — they'll be involved in the crucial relegation battle against Green Gully at St. Albans

SAINT'S CHANGES HELP WOLVES

Wollongong 2 St. George 2

Scorers: Stefanovski 72nd, Willis pen 80th (W); Morgan 30th, Koczka 40th (St.G). Venue: Wollongong Show-grounds.

grounds.
Crowd: about 600.
Referee: Ken Small 6.
Cautions: M. O'Shea (St.G),
Hristovski (W):

Wollongong eased its re-legation worries with this 2-2 result.

Midway through the second half St George appeared to be coasting with a comfortable 2-0 lead.

But then Saints' coach Frank Arok used two replace-ments — Peter Stone for Pedro Ricoy and Peter Pet-kovski for Vic Bozanic — and the cohesion of his side seemed to deteriorate.

Wollongong reacted by pulling a goal back almost immediately through replacement Rade Srefanovski, who scored from a Bernie Godzic corner.
Young Wollongong striker Pat Brodmik was then flattened in the goalmouth and referee Ken Small had no hesitation in awarding a penalty. Peter Willis converted the spot kick, but Small ordered that it be retaken as Stefanovski had encroached in the area as the kick was taken.
Willis kept calm and made mistake with his second kick.
St George's first goal didn't

St George's first goal didn't come until the 42nd minute, when English striker Trevor Morgan found the net with an angled shot from 15 metres. Right on half time Wollon-gong goalkeeper Kiri Velkov made a mistake which allowed Andy Koczka to grab number two.

Velkov made an unsuccess-ful attempt to punch the ball clear, but Koczka was able to score from close range.

Score from close range.

St George coach Arok did
not comment on his team's
lapse, leaving the ground
almost immediately after the
final whistle.
In the other dressing room,
Wollongong coach Adrian
Alston said the point could
easily be the deciding factor in
Wollongong's bid to stay in the
National League.

(Wollongong)

the match: LARRY GAFFNEY

"In the end we could easily have taken both points and the boys are now really confident they will stay in," Alston said.

FORGET FINALS — TOP TEAM SHOULD GET THE T

Heidelberg 1 **BU-Juventus 0**

Scorer: Stevenson 42nd. Venue: Olympic Village Referee: Richard Lorenc (NSW) 5. Cautions: Winn, Lewis,

This defeat probably blew away Juventus' hopes of clinching top place in the finals

of clinching top place in the finals.

But the way the NSL operates no one seems to be attaching much importance to the order in which teams finish as long as they make the top five.

It's a real shame that the championship is reduced to a footie-like lottery of finals where any team that hits form in that particular three-week spell can finish up as Australian champion.

It takes credibility away from a game that has estoblished its tradition on deciding championships at the end of a proper home and away league over 22 rounds.

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over 22 rounds.

Sure, have a top five competition if it does attract the crowds but make it a separate competition and keep the league title as the top honor.

But as it was, last Sunday's game was shrugged off by Ju-ventus coach John Margaritis as one in which Juve played well but did not convert its

rces.
"m not disappointed," he

said.
"I'm confident that if we play them in the finals, we'll beat them," he said.

The match came from a dubious free kick awarded by Sydney referee Richard Lorenc when Peter Tsolakis,



Peter Desira

Feter Desira

Lewis, appeared to trip over the ball.

Tsolakis himself swung the free kick over, Theo Selemidis got up well to head goalwards, forcing Yakka Banovic to fly series and to party. Stuart Stevenson was on hand to bundle the loose ball over the goal line.

Margaritis refused to blame the referee for the goal, saying instead that his defenders should not have allowed Selemidis to get up and meet the free kick unchallenged.

But Peter Lewis who came in for a lot of attention from the referee and after getting booked for making too much ground when taking a throwin, turned to the makeshift press box (four chairs on the touchline) and told reporters. "Why don't you write something about the (expletive deleted) referees?"

The goal that Heidelberg scored came after Juve had missed the best chance of the game, when Mike Petersen pushed a through ball for Andrew Zinni in the clear but Zinni's attempted lob over advancing Jeff Oliver was too low and allowed the keeper to-make a good save.

The Stevenson goal changed the complexion of the game and we were treated to an absorbing second half in which Juventus forced all the pressure despite playing into a

Man of the match: STEVE WINN (Heidelberg)

Juve's dominance is reflected in the corner tally of II against 2 for the game overall but for all the pressure Juve did not create clear-cut scoring chances and it was Heidelberg which really had the opportunity to add to the scoreline a minute from time when selemidis got up to meet Steve Mariey's cross from the left whig and headed past Banovic only to see the ball bounce to salety off the crossbar.

"We probably played better last week (against Hellas) but didn't get anything out of that game." Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey said.

"But we played well enough in the first half and got the goal. Juventus then had to put on the pressure in the second half and I thought we defended well."

Garvey disagreed with Mar-

half and I thought we defended well."

Garvey disagreed with Margaritis about the better team losing.

"I don't think they played that well. We would want to play better in the finals but I'm sure they would too."

Garvey praised the performance of stewe Winn, who dominated in the central mid-leid role and reduced Mike Petersen to one of his poorest games of the season.

"Steve is providing all the bit we lacked in midfield. We have got the creative players but missed a real ball winner. There weren't too many challenges he went in for and didnt

The pressing by Juventus in the second half started in the 49th minute, with Fab Incantalupo's corner causing an almighty scramble in the sixyard box where Paul Wade's shot was cleared off the line. In the 69th minute Joe Sweeney swung over a cross from the right which Zinni headed just over the bar. Heideberg hit back with Abrice Bandy to the work of the wore of the work of

Cullen. Petersen put Cullen. Through for a shot over the bar between the control of the control

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Man of the match Mike Genikas (centre) hammers home one of West Adelaide's two goals against Green Gully at Hindmarsh Stadium. Others pictured, from left: David Hogben, Steve McLelland, Andrew Young, Stuart Cannell and Graham Honeyman.

the match: CARL GILDER (Geo. Cross)

George Cross 3 Bris. Lions 2

Scores: Mitten 29th, 57th, atif 48th (GC); Wright 2nd, J. tewart 74th (BL). Venue: Chaplin Reserve. Crowd: about 1,000. Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

There's nothing more certain than that 1985 has seen Carl Gilder at long last establish himself as one of the finest target men in National League secret.

Lions stopper Alan Hunter found that out last Sunday but Hunter, as with every NSL stopper, has little to be despondent about because the plan truth is that if you play the ball into Gilder's feet it's just about impossible to rob him.

him. This was a thoroughly enter-taining game. Not just because there were five goals scored but because there were many chances created and there were some fine interpassing passages of play. There also were quite a few occasions when both sides gave the ball away inside their defensive thirds of the field, meaning that hearts were firmly em-bedded in mouths and the last 30 minutes frayed the nerve

that hearts were firmly em-bedded in mouths and the last 30 minutes frayed the nerve ends of most George Cross supporters.

Lions' early opening goal came from striker Danny Wright A long punt downfield by Lions goalte Wayne Evans saw the ball allowed to bounce, forcing Steve Richardson to challenge for it in the air with John Stewart backing into him. Consequently, Richard-son was unable to effect a good clearing header and Wright un-leashed a screamer, volleying into the far corner from out-side the area.

into the far corner from outside the area.
Lions put Cross under the hammer early, without creating clear cut chances and when Cross finally threw off the shackles and mounted its first effective forward thrust, it levelled.
In the 29th migrate N

shackles and mounted its first effective forward thrust, it levelled.

In the 29th minute, Don Maclaren knocked the ball forward to Ossie Latif who got clear of David Hunter only to be decked by Evans just inside the area. Referee Chris Bambridge pointed to the penalty spot and up strode Noel Mitche, yet to miss a penalty in competitive soccer.

That record was blemished when Evans saved Mitten's active tempt but Mitten pounced on the rebound, steadied, then crossed from the first of the first

the match:

TONY FRANKEN

(Canberra)

Indeed goalkeeper Tony Franken pulle doff two superb saves shortly after half time to thwart Jim McBride and re-placement forward Tony Gen-

placement forward Tony Genovese.

The only time Franken was beaten, fullback John Michallidis brought up chalk as he slid to clear Tony Morsello's shot off the line.

On the other hand, Canberra was unlucky twice. Five minutes from half time, Lamond sent a low cross to unmarked Tommy English who somehow side-footed past the past from three metres. And in the 80th minute, APIA keeper Rob Catlin rushed out to break up a dangerous attack. He punched the ball outside the penalty area, giving away a free kick and in the process carned a veltow.

thing away are tak mit in the man and man and man and man and man and pat the ball into the heik ick and got the ball into the net. The referee, Dean Montevede from Brisbane, blew his whistle for what seemed a goal and the Canberra players jubilantly mobbed Seve Bryant. However, the referee was to signalling a goal but a retake because he had not given the signal for the initial free kick to be taken. A depondent Bryant swept his next attempt high over the har.

Mick Mikolajczyk

APIA O

Canberra 1 orer: Sermanni, 35th. nue: Lambert Park.

Cautions: Catlin (APIA), English (Can). Referee: Dean Monteverde (Brisb) 7. owd: 679.

An ever dwindling band of loyal APIA supporters suffered through another traumatic episode of lack-lustre football as the home side stumbled to defeat, this time to an ordinary Canberra team.

Canberra team.

APIA's problems continue
and the lack of form by so
may players is alarming.

The borne side had rouble
stringing even a few passes
together. The defence was hesitant and generously allowed
Tom Sermanni to nip in to
score in the 35th minute after
Manis Lamond had made a
criso break.

mans Lamond had made a crisp break.

APIA's midfield was sadly out of fouch and the forward line was so erratic it made Camberra's shaky defence look reasonable. Camberra didn't fare much better.

en.

Three minutes into the second half, Cross finally took the lead. Jeff Faulkner cut the ball back from the right to Maclaren who steaded then miscued his shot. Gilder was about to pounce but was about to pounce but was beaten to the ball by Latif who turned and thumped a low, left foof shot past Evans from eight metres.

A minute later. Latif un-

eight metres

A minute later. Latif unleashed one of his specials. He
was at least 25 metres out and
although his shot went straight
to Evans it slipped out of his
hands. Thankfully for Lions,
the ball lobbed gently over the
bar.

the ball lobbed gently over the bar.

Another minute passed and again Evans was in the thick of the action, this time doing really well to parry and cracking 20 metre drive from Bain. Mitten made it 3-1 in the 57th minute and Lions looked finished Laif sent his content toward the far post where toward the far post where Richardson won it well in the air, heading down, and Mitten on the turn hooked the ball that the roof of the net from Tobel met tree.



Craig Mackenzie

down. They came storming back and had two good chances to score before the Stewart brothers combined in the 74th minute to make it 3-2.

minute to make it 3-2

In the 69th minute Kastner
missed with an attempted
clearing punch but Wright's
header was wide. A minute
later, Wright made a good run
through the centre then knocked a superb 10 metre through
ball to Richard Bassingthwaite who should at least have
got his shot on target. Instead,
he shot wide from 10 metres
with just Kastner confronting
him.

Then Russell Stewart laid

Then Russell Stewart laid the ball into the path of broth-er John who struck a firm, low shot past Kastner despite the Cross custodian getting a hand to the ball.

to the ball.

Despite Lions' pressure in search of the equaliser, George Cross had the best chances of the last 10 minutes, thanks to Gilder who robbed, in turn, Alan Hunter and Steve legisless.

in turn, Alan Hunter and Steve Jackson.
From a Victorian viewpoint, Lons are the pick of the interstate sides. Adelaide City Juventus plays some tremendous interpassing soccer but can be annoyingly indirect and there's little point to having possession if you don't get forward. West Adelaide Hellas can be diabolical at the back without Graham Honeyman, and Brisbane City, well, it certainly provides thrills and spills, for if it's not creating chances up front it certainly creates them for opponents at the back.

George Cross may not finish

creates them for opponents at the back.

George Cross may not finish in the five Big deal. What a tremendous year the club is having. Full credit to the playing and coaching staff at chaping and coaching staff and coachin



\$250 fine for Steve O'Connor

THE NSL disciplinary committee has broken new ground by fining Sydney Hakoah stopper Steve O'Connor \$250 for allegedly habitually breaking the rules of the game.

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O'Connor had been sent off by referee Don Campbell against Marconi for persistent misconduct after being cautioned, leading to an automatic one-match suspension.

But committee chairman bonald Morrison noted O'Connor had accumulated 11 suspensions totalling 14 weeks in penalties, over the past three years.

"Continually breaking the laws brings the game into disrepute and players must be discouraged from taking these actions," Morrison said.
"The \$250 fine stands as a warning to O'Connor and others that we will not tolerate players consistently breaching the laws."

Meanwhile, Hakoah secured

the laws."

Meanwhile, Hakoah secured a reduction of utility man Gerry Gomez's penalty and he played against Newcastle at Sydney Athletic field last Sunday.

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Sydney Atheletic field last Sunday.
Gomez and Sydney Olympic's striker Marshall Soperappealed against the two-week suspensions and \$1,800 fines imposed following their send-offs in the riot-marred Olympic's Sydney Hakoah game at Pratten Park.

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advised that he had acceded the 12 points that brings a one-match stand-down.

Frank Farina the sole saving grace



Hakoah 2 Newcastle 0

Scorer: Farina 58th. 68th. Venue: Sydney Athletic Field. Crowd: 1000. Referee: Arthur Owens 8.

A few flashes of action, including two fine goals by Frank Farina, and the rest just concentrated, dreadful boredom.

That is the fairest way of describing this match, which pitted championship con-tenders Hakoah against wood-en-spooners Newcastle.

That the northerners are weeful is a well documented fact, proven by their role as Ballast on the NSL table, but that Hakoah would be playing on their level for two-thirds of the match?

Is it any wonder that crowds are fast disappearing from the stands of most of the 24 clubs in the league?

it was some small con-solation for the die-hards present that Frank Farina played with ambition and tons of determination all day long.

He was rewarded in the 58th minute, when he rose to spectacular heights to head into Clint Gosling's net a cross from Jean Paul De Marigny, Exactly 10 minutes later Parina capped a good performance with a sizzling 22 metre shot for Hakoah's second goal.

The rest was mostly nondes-cript stuff, with Hakoah get-ting well on top and applying pressure after Farina's two winning efforts, without any further goals to show for it.

the match: FRANK FARINA (Hakoah)

getting out that Hakoah's board of directors was to discuss what the future of the club is in top soccer at its meeting, which was scheduled for last Monday night.

The club's expenditure on soccer is tipped to be around \$250,000 during the current

There is spreading senti-ment that Hakoah's soccer efforts should either be con-centrated in a lower division, or continued in the NSL, but coupled with a wholesale re-building of the side.

The finicky fans of Austra-lia's most successful soccer club are vociferously dis-satisfied with the rather ped-estrian style of the team on all but a couple of games this year.

year.

There is also unrest over the lack of discipline shown by many players, as evidenced by a seemingly never ending succession of cautions, sending-offs and suspensions.

I have also learnt from a reliable source that coach Eddie Thomson's absence overseas at this vital stage of the season was due for dis-cussion by the board.

Fans and some directors question the decision of soccer chairman Sam Fiszman to release Thomson who is coaching the Australian team at the Maccablah Games, an event Maccabiah Games, an event with no great soccer sign-ificance.

In fact, the Australian team is made up mostly of players from Sydney Maccabi, playing in what is equal to the seventh division in NSW.

If only, among all the "ex-citement" in the gossiping, there would have been a few more flashes of decent soccer.

Juve loses top spot — but not for long!

By WALTER PLESS

Juventus-Pioneer suffered its second successive defeat in the Tasmanian Cad-bury State League to slump to third place in the standings last Wednesday but on Sunday it jumped back into top spot.

At this stage last year, the league champion was six points better off and well on course for its second con-secutive title.

Cracks certainly have begun in the Italian-backed outfit and even the return of coach Ken Morton as a player against Olympia-WPL last Wednesday — he only had announced his retirement as a senior player a few weeks before — did not stop the champion going down 2-1. Cracks certainly have begun

2-1: Another former NSL star, Lucky Vagianos, who used to play with West Adelaide Heilas, also appeared in this game, at centre-back for Olympia. He upended Sergio Pace in the 20th minute to concede a penalty and John Broaddhouse put the champion in front.

Paul Kaproulias, the Pepsi Youth League's leading scorer, made excellent use of one of his rare chances in the senior side.

senior side.

He grabbed the equalizer just after the interval and, on the hour, he nodded down a high ball from Paul Xanthopoulos to score the winner.

In Wednesday's early match, White Eagles just beat Rapid 3-2 when Mark Leszczynski hit the winner three minutes from time. He had headed Eagles into a 7th minute lead before Matthew Bloomfield equalized in the 31st minute.

A superb shot by Young in the 50th minute restored Eag-les' lead but Greenwood again levelled for Rapid in the 61st minute. Fletcher crossed from the left and the youngster had time to park his car before slotting the ball home.

Juventus regained league leadership on goal difference on Sunday by beating Metro-Claremont 2-0.

Metro missed a couple of easy chances early, then fell behind to a well-taken Ken Morton goal in 18th minute.

John Broadhouse became the league's leading scores when he knocked in Juventus's second goal in the 66th minute

second goal in the 86th minute. University seems doomed to relegation after losing 2-1 to olympia-WPL in Sunday's remaining match and yet it was a game it should have won. Taglieri missed his second consecutive penalty for the students in the 28th minute of the match when Burden brilliantly saved his spot-kick, and at least three other chances went begging.

chances went begging.

Olympia didn't come into the game until the last 17 minutes. Sherman hit the equalizer on the turn from a
Vafakos pass in the '37d
minute and Xanthopoulos notched the winner with a superdiving header from Forster's
gross with 10 minutes remainng.

This superb sequence from photographer LES SHORROCK aptures the moment of despair then joy for George Cross mid-elder Noel Mixten as Brisbane Lions goalie Wayne Evans saves litton's penalty only to have the former Irish youth international You can't keep a good Scot down APIA's on the skids



Venue: Spencer Park Crowd: 771 Cautions: McMillan (PM) Referee: Jim Reeves 8.

Man of the match: **BOBBY HAMILTON** (Bris City)

move.

Apart from a Spink deflection over the bar, one of Fabriro's breaks had been the best
scoring chance of the match.
That was until a minute before
the interval when Spink hit ab
listering shot after being set
up by Con Opasinis.

But City keeper Kim Wish-art, so soundly criticised in Melbourne last week, was at his best to not only get to the shot, but hold it as well.

Bobby Hamilton, whose work-rate and vision in mid-field was not capitalised upon by his teammates, put Fabrizio through but Traianedes saved well with his legs.

saved well with his legs.

The Brisbane heat proved to be a telling factor on the Makedonia side and after it dominated possession in the first period, City took control in the second.

But in a breakaway, Sean Lane was felled outside the box. From the kick, his shot rebounded around in the box and had just fallen for Spink, with an open goal in front of him, when the whistle went for offside. offside

offside
Lane then cracked a 40 metre shot from the left with four minutes to go and caught Wishart by surprise. The effort hit the underside of the crossbar and rebunded for Zoran Ilioski, but his shot was blocked and Wishart picked up

defence. But on all occasions he was unable to finish the Ricky Rosso Brisbane City 0 Makedonia 0

Brisbane City coach Jim Hermiston may have been confined to bed last week-end but he still monitored his team's progress against Makedonia.

his team's progress against Makedonia.

Club secretary Sue Conti gave Hermiston several telephone reports during the match, and the Scotsman even recommended a second half substitution. But stand-in coach Tony Buesnel, the City reserve team coach, already rad assessed the situation and ad Stephen Glockner warming up to replace Lee Scriggins when the message was passed to the bench. Hermiston is thought to have glandular fever, complicated by a bout of flu He was ordered by a doctor to stay in bed.

Had he made it to the game. Had he made it to the game health any good to see the match-winning chances squandered by his team.

Three times young striker luciane Taburito used his

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osmine uses his elbow to brush aside China's World Cup qualifying series, starting in September.

Kosmina needs help

John Kosmina desperative needs an attacking partner equalty as capable of scoring goals.

That's the inescapable conclusion to be drawn from players' scoring achievements in the lead-up to the World Cup-campaign.

Whereas Kosmina has scored 20 goals over the 34 game period (albeit many were against Asian opponing meet in the World Cup), the next most prolific scorers have only five goals each.

They are Phil O'Connor, and Charlie Egan, neither of whom will be in the squad for the coming world series.

Kosmina's present attacking partner, Marshall Soper, has scored only three times.

For statistical reasons alone, the availability of Eddie Krocevic for the World Cup series is a big boon to coach Frank Arok. Krocevic has not taken part in any of the lead-in matches to the 1985-86 World Cup series, but he scored 17 goals in the 33 matches before and during the 1981 campaign. All scorers over the 54 games leading up to the coming World Cup:

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4. Mitchell, Crino

3. Katholas, Cant, S. O'Consolosoper

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opening night of the international series at Olympic Park on July 31, it will be their 55th match in the lead-up to the

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for World Cup

BY LAURIE SCHWAB When the Socceroos line up against Red Star on the

It is the most thorough preparation the Socceroos have had for a World Cup
Leading up to the 1977 qualifying series, they played 41 games, and in preparation for the 1981 World Cup campaign, they played 50 word Cup campaign, they played 50 word Cup campaign, they played 50 word Cup and 1011 s5 Israel v New Zealand Cup flush with "only" ceres for the World Cup flush with "only" against the team that finishes securally qualified for the World Cup flush with "only" seven, comprising Iceland, Wales, Spain and Scotland.

AUSTRALIA'S LEAD-UP GAMES TO THE WORLD CUP QUALIFING SERIES:

1982

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v. Thailand 4-0, Kosmina 2, P.
O Connor, Cole
v. Indonesia 2-0, Mitchell 2
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Kosmina pen, P. O Connor, Cole
v. South Korea 3-2, (Final), P.
O Connor, Mitchell, Christopoulos

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v. New Zealand 0-2
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1984 World series No. 1 Socceroo A team:

Manchester United 0-0 (Syd-

ney).

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v. Glasgow Rangers 3–2 (Sydney), S. O'Connor, Kosmina, Mitchell

chell
v. Juventus 1-1 (Melbourne),
Ratcliffe
v. Nottingham Forest 2-2
(Brisbane), Kosmina, S. O'Connor
v. Juventus 2-4 (Adelaide),
Cant, Yankos pen.

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ney).
v. Glasgow Rangers 2-4 (New-castle). Blair. Brown pen.
v. Glasgow Rangers 1-1 (A-delaide). McCulloch
v. Iraklis 1-1 (Melbourne). Brown pen.
v. Iraklis 0-0 (Brisbane)
Trial match:

v. Tasmania 2-0 (Hobart), omez, Senkalski,

mez, Senkalski. Merlion Cup, Singapore

Indonesia 2-1, Spink, Farina Singapore 1-0, Bernal Holland 2-5, Panagis, Bernal

v. Holland 2-5, Panagis, Bernal pen. v. Iraq 1-1, Farina, lost 8-9 on pens (semi-final) v. Holland 0-3 (3rd place play-off).

World tour: v. China 2-3 (Beijing), Kosmina

V. Beijing 3-2 (Beijing), Crino 2, Egan

Egan v. Shanghai 2-0 (Shanghai), Ratcliffe, Egan. v. Canton 1-2 (Canton), Crino. v. Manchester Gity 3-1 (Man-chester), Gray, Kosmina pen,

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1985 World series No. 2

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v. Udinese 2-1 (Adelaide). Crino, Petersen v. Vasco Da Gama 2-1 (Mel-bourne), Kosmina 2 (final).

bourne). Kosmina 2 (final)
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LOST 21, SCORED 79,
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PSV Eindhoven was removed last week from the international series starting on July 31 be-cause it had tried to change the terms of its con-tract with ASF Marketing Ltd.

"They tried to stand over us and I won't have it," said ASF Marketing chief Peter Sheean.
"The only reason we had invited them was because they gave the Socceroos a game in Holland last year, and because of the involvement of their sponsor. Philips Industries.
"Eindhoven's withdrawal won't harm the tournament one better."

It is the Greek and Yugoslav supporters who will make

"It is the Greek and Yugosiav Soppithe series a success."
It now will be a three-way contest between Red Star Belgrade, AEK Athens and the Socceroos, playing each other twice. The round robin system replaces the grand final which was to have been played at Olympic Park on 11 August.

Marton Esterhazy is

He is pictured at right, with

Esterhazy is a real-life Count garian aristocracy.

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haps the best player in

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Mayros the mighty **AEK** star

Thomas Mavros, who has starred in AEK's attack since 1976, was second-highest goalscorer in Europe in 1979.

And he represented Greece in the European Champion-ships in 1980.

Mavros made his Greek First Division debut with Pan-ionios at the age of 16 and won his first international cap at 17.

He played on the wing before developing into an ag-gressive striker.





e The Australian team that failed in the 1981 World Cup qualifying series, from left, standing: Rudi Gutendorf (coach), Billy Rogers, Steve Blair, Allan Maher, Greg Woodhouse, Alan Niven, Mark Jankovics, Ivo Prskalo, Les Scheinflug (assistant coach). Middle row: Murray Barnes, Eddie Krncevic, Peter Sharne, Steve Hogg, Alan Davidson, Joe Senkalski, John Kosmina, Jim Tansey, Front row: Steve Perry, Tony Henderson, Sebastian Giampaolo, Gary Cole, John Yzendoorn, Ken Boden, Joe Watson.

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n-mate Chatzis, after scoring a goal

family is part of the old-world Hun-

early this season, having also served ok, Ferencyaros, Vasas and Izzo.

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Coach Gojko Zec of Red
Star

the final of the "World of Soccer" tournament to Calic. Aust-raia and Arsenal also competed In 1980, Red Star lost 1-2 to Victoria at Olympic Park but won its other matches - 6-0 v South Australia (Petrovic 2, Blaggieuc 2, Milosavijeuc, Borovinca), 5-0 v NSW (Filipouc 2, Repcic, Petrovic Mullen of gl. 5-0 v Western Australia (Filipo-vic, Repcic, Milosavijeuc, Savic, Stefancic) and 8-2 against an Australian Vugoslav select (Filipouc 3, Nikolic 2, Petrovic, Milosavijeuc, Kondarios o gl.) Filipouc scored in the loss to Victoria, whose goals came from Jamie Paton and George Christopoulos.



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Three of Australia's national youth team players in action against the
tab selection during the Marilion Cup in Singapore last year. Freddy Prins of
illand is about to serie, as Alac Bundalo (No. 8). Andrew Koczka and Duvid
arpe try desperately to stop him.

The national youth team will prepare during the international series for the World Youth Championship finals in the USSR.

Australian defender Robert Hooker (left) challenged by Noah Mekiem of Indonesia during the 1984 Merlian Cup in Singapore. Hooker will play as sweeper for Australia in the World Youth Championship finals in the USSR next month.

NSW, Vics, then off to Russia

the Red Star v. Australia game. They also meet Victoria at Olympic Park on Augus before the Red Star v. AEK Athens clash.

per St George Budapest ex-Melita Eagles Socceroo debut v England (0-0) at SCG, 1983; bril-liant recent form in club matches

liant recent form in club matches. Soccero appearances: 27.

JEFF OLVER, 24, goalkeeper, Heidelberg-Alexander ex-Albion. Royer Vic. Voted best player of 1985 Buffale Gold Cup night se-ries. Socceroo debut v Glesgow. Rangers in national B team's. 24. loss in Newcastle. 1983. Apps. 3. National youth team app. 14.

1 CHARLIE YANKOS, 24 sweeper. Heidelberg-Alexander. ex-Polonia, Vic. Socceroo debut. England (0-0) in Sydney, 1983. Rated along with Zarko Odzakov as star of recent international series won by Austrelie. Apps. 30, roalst. 1

DAVID RATCLIFFE, 28, stop-

sive marker He shadowed Trvor Francis in the three-match series against England. Socceroo debut v Thailand (4-0) in 1982 Merlion-Cup in Singapore Apps 36, goals; 2

goals 2
STEVE O'CONNOR, 30 stopper Sydney City Hakoah Scored
three goals in last year 's world
series Socceroo debut v Wisla
Krakow (1-3) in Sydney, 1979.
Apps: 34, goals 3.

scrakow. (11-3). in. Sydney. 1979.
Apps: 34, goals: 3
GRAHAM JENNINGS, 25. left
back Sydney Olympic ex-Adams
town, Rosebud. Former winger in
the national youth team. Socceroo debut: v. England (0-0) in
Sydney, 1983. Apps: 30. Youth
team apps: 10. goals: 4.
ZARKO ODZAKOV, 29. midfielder, Sydney Croatia. ex-Preston-Makedonia, Vardar Skopje
(Yug. Sensational introduction to
the national team or the recent
international series. Debut v.
Vasco Da Gama (0-1) in Sydney.
1985. Apps: 3.
JOE WATSON, 33. midfielder.
Sydney City Hakoah Ex Nottingham Forest: Forfar shiletic (UK).
NSL Player of the Year 1983.
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Arsenat (UK), Adelaide City Ju-ventus Recently became first player to socre 100 NSL goals.
Second to Artila Abonyi among Socjeroos al-lime top scorers.
Socceroo debut v Bologna (3-0) in Adelaide. 1976. Apps. 80, goalst 34.

in Adelsitus, yoals 34 MARSHALL SOPER, 25, stri-ker. Sydney Olympic, ex-APIA-Leichhardt Socceroo debut v New Zealand (1-2) in Auckland, 1983. Socceroo apps: 24, goals:

3.

JIM PATIKAS, 21, midfielder or striker, Sydney Croatia, ex-Sydney Olympic. Sydney City Hakoah. Socceroo debut v Indonesia (0-1), World Cup game in Surabaya. 1981. Still the most capped



Socceroo coach Frank Arok wants the Australian team to develop a 'kamikaze' approach as the next stage of his plan to qualify for the World Cup finals in Mexico next year.

in Mexico next year.

The Australians started underdogs but upset visiting teams Tottenham Hotspur of England, Udinese of Italy and Vasco da Gama of Brazil to win the final of the \$200,000 International Series at Melbourne Cricket Ground last month.

"We have mastered the skills of the slow build-up but need to practice more 'suicide' tactics in seeking results," he said.
"The team also needs to improve its change of pace tactic to confuse the opposition during a game."

of pace terms of a game."

The Australian Soccer Federation has put plenty of effort into giving the squad as much experience as possible to win through in the Oceania World Cup qualifying rounds which start in September.

And it has Peter Sheean of ASF Marketing Ltd. to thank for providing that experience.

player at youth level. Socceroo apps: 13, goale: 1, Youth apps: 30 goals: 4.

ROBBIE DUNN, 25 centre back or midfielder, Preston-Make-donie, ex-Vest Adelaide Hellas. Azzuri (SA), Kwinana Utd, North Perth Croatie and Bayswater (WA). Socceroo debut v. Udi-nes (2-1) in Adelaide, 1985. Socceroo app. 1.

ROD BROWN, 21, striker, Mar-coni, Ex-Auburn, NSW Socceroo debut v Tottenham Hotspur (1-0), Melbourne, 1985, Socceroo apps: 3 Youth apps: 19, goals: 14.

MIKE PETERSEN, 20, utility player, Brunswick-Juventus, ex-Heidelberg-Alexander, Port Mel-bourne, Socceroo app. 1, goals 1.

GRAHAM HONEYMAN, 32 sweeper or midfielder, West Adel sweeper or midfielder, West Adel-aide Helfas, ex-Sydney City Ha-koah, East Fife (UK). Called into a squad during recent international series but has yet to play a match.

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Kamikaze approach

sought by Arok

No-one in the past has been willing to take the risks involved in putting on international tournaments of the scope of the past two. While federations and individuals pick faults and claim they could do it better, Sheean has come up with the goods and con-tinues to invest in Australian soccer in the hope of boosting its image and inspiring great-er public support.

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Arok believes the experience gained from the internationals is of vital importance.

"If the team is capable of maintaining a high level of performance it will indicate a regular quality and not an accident," he said.

"Additional matches will blend the national team more like a club team with better understanding and cohesion.

"We can now apply pressure as well as absorb pressure.
"No one will ever come here again and beat an Australian is not rubbish. We can compete and don't give others space or freedom.

"My remaining big desire is to get the Australian people to recognise the quality of this team and give them support. I can't understand why they are against us."



Socceroo Zarko Odzakov – the equal of Kevi Keegan (left)?

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Schools select in the curtain-raiser to the Australia v. AEK Athens match at Hindmarsh Stadium on August 13. The under 20 squad is: Ennio Luongo, Colin Miller, Alex Tobin, Aureilo Vidmar (Ac-Juventus), Sean Gravves, Slavko Hancar, George Nesgos (Beograd), Sandy Meggetto (Cambelloun), Robbie Slagor (Croatia), Mark Harvey (Para Hills), Paul Kolesnikoviac (Polonia), Graham Latham, Tony Gasparetto (Satisbury), Steve Papedopoulos, Theo Stamatelopoulos (WA-Hellas).



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GUCU 0 at Ross Rasserve, Saturday,

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Garrey 5, Coach Bobby McLachslen,

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49th, 70th, Miller 20th, Cumming 36th) at Partridge Reserve, Sunday.
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Ferris 6 (Hennessy 60th). Cooke 9. Ross 7. Miller 9. Watson 7 Webster 8. Thomas 7. Coach: Danny McMinimee.
Best three for Schipane Player of the Year award 3. Cooke (Pines).
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2. Miller (Pines), 1. Webster (Pines).
WESTERN SUBURBS 1 (Stenson 5th) POLONIA 0 at
Ralph Reserve, Sunday.
WESTERN SUBURBS: Apostolidis 7 - Beattle 8, Dimovski 7, Esposito
8, Hamili 7 - K. Coyle 6, Kakantonia 7, Palmaricelatti 6 - Tuck 7, Stenson 8, McGuinness 7, Cosch. Jimmy Condilis.
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Scolewski 7, Avian 7, Kolaric 7 - Aud 6, Przybyla 6, Gregorczuk 5.
Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Esposito (WS).
2. Innes (Pol.). 1 Beattle (WS).

CROYDON

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roydon zeroes in

Dinamo 0 Croydon City 1

Scorer: Ollerton 31st. Venue: Churchill Reserve

There is a distinctive air of championship side in Croydon.

This was a significant result under pressing conditions with the side deprived of its leading strikers and playing in atroclous windy conditions.

windy conditions.

While the match never reached any heights, what distinguished Croydon was the way the side held on in the opening enthusiastic burst by Dinamo, capitalised on a defensive lapse to break the deadlock and then went about protecting the lead as if the match was a cup final.

"They just had too much experience for us", was the way Dinamo coach Tony Vrzina put it after the match.

"Once they took the lead, I knew they would make it hard for us and with the strong wind you couldn't expect miracles.

"But I'm pleased that we kept battling away and if we keep the fighting spirit up I'm confident we can avoid relegation." Dinamo's battle to avoid

the drop will be strength-ened by Dennis Morovic, whose return to the field as substitute after a nine

SELECTIONS

By PETER DESIRA

match absence through injury was greeted by loud hoots from the fans huddled in cars parked round the ground. Morovic and John Bruno (who had played a full game in the reserves) were sent on in place of midfielder Sveto Rastocic and fullback Steve Grgic in a desperate last bid to rescue something out of this match.

this match.

But despite the added pressure in the closing 15 minutes, Dinamo found it hard to get past Croydon's midfield, led by a resilient Steve Beech, to create much in the way of clear-cut openius.

cut openings.

Peter Ollerton's winning goal came in the 31st minute with the striker given the room at the far post to get up and meet a Jim Tansey freekick from the left and head home un-

the left and head home unchallenged.
The goal came from a break away after Croydon's goal survived the best chance of the opening half hour in which a Ned Batinovic shot was blocked and ran loose in the six yard box for Branko Culina to shoot again on the turn only to force a goalline clearance. Croydon enjoyed its best spell immediately after scoring the goal with Ollerton controlling a centre from Alex Livingstone to

shoot from an angle and bring off a good save from Mate Grgic. Alan Kerr hit a cross-shot just past the far post in the last minute of the first half.

shot just past the far post in the last minute of the first half.
Ollerton and Livingstone both had shots turned away for corners before the Dinamo pressure started in the second half. But the chances Dinamo created were scrambly efforts with Batinovic shooting wide from a good position, Danny Dezic's

corner being punched away by Billy Whiteside and then Culina forcing the keeper into a good save from another cross-shot from the left.

from the left.

The best Dinamo opening came five minutes from the end when a Zdenko Brkljacic corner was half cleared to Batinovic just outside the box for a shot which was cleared on the line.

But as if to have the last say, Croydon still created a golden chance to in-crease the lead in the last minute. This time Alan

Kerr put Tom Brewerton in the clear for a shot which came off the far

post.
For this week's game against Western Suburbs, Croydon regains Dave Brogan from suspension and welcomes back leading scorer Graham French who arrived back from an overseas business trip on Monday.

Suburbs coach Jim Con Suburos coach Jim Condilis (whose van served as my press box on Saturday) remains quietly confident that his side can get a result but is keeping his tactics to himself.

Middlemast seals

NUNAWADING CITY 3
(Pote 38th, Groenwald
74th, Middlemast 87th)
WERRIBEE 1 (Misic
82nd). Victorian First Division match at Mahoneys
Reserve Saturday

soon match at Mahoneys Reserve, Saturday. NUNAWADING CITY: Madjer, Brown, Deane, Rem-mers, Moyle, Groenwald, Mul-lett, Nellies, Roggero (Papaa 66th), Pote (Servinis 79th), Middlemant

66th, Pote 150.5.
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WERRIBEE: De Muri, Di
Gloacchino, Anthian, Misic,
Italia, Peolozza (Carraro 88th),
McNally, Paola, Petricca,
Moedham, Belteki.

Nunawading City took a long time to convert ter-ritorial superiority in-

to goals but ran out a convincing winner in the end.
During the first half Nunawading created chance after chance but Werribee survived and its offside trap also was effective in keeping the Nunawading forwards at bay.

In the 38th minute, Nunawading was awarded a free kick on the right. A quick kick released Mullett who scotted to the byline and his cross was rammed home by Pote off the inside of the post.

Werribee took control of the midfield for the first 20 minutes of the second half and it looked as though Nunawading might pay the price for missed opportunities in the firt half.

A brilliant reflex save by

The goal was a fair reward for South's first half pressure, but Waverley City was denied a similar return when it took control after the interval. Substitute Andy Crompton and full back Sean Coulter came perilously close to equalising as South was forced to defend desperately.

Most neutral observers agreed a draw would have been a fairer result, which only served to pour salt in Waverley's wounds after its first home defeat of the year.

Waverley's captain Norm Willcocks suffered a bad ankle injury and may miss several matches.

Madjer from Belteki in the 63rd minute denied Werribee and Nunawading began to get

63rd minute denied Werribee and Nunawading began to get on top again.
Groenwald burst through the Werribee back line, as it appealed for offside, and he cooly drew De Muri before stotting the ball home.
Eight minutes from the end, Werribee hauled itself back in the game. Awarded a free kick on the right wing, the ball bobbled around the Nunawading box before Misic was able to scramble the ball home.
The best goal of the game came in the \$7th minute. Intercepting a pass near the half-way line, Millett outpaced the defence, then laid a perfectly weighted pass into the path of Middlemast who made no mistake with his first time shot.

Sunbury takes on

The Victorian state team will play First Division promotion caa practice match at about 7pm.

about 7pm.

The state squad will train at Langama Park then play Sunbury in a short game. Sunbury oeach Mike Lynn has instituted leading referees thris Bambridge and Stuart Mellings to train with Sunbury that night and officiate during the training match if they wish.

Victoria

Kalifatidis's killer blow

WAVERLEY CITY 0 SOUTH OAK-LEIGH 1 (Kalifatidis 20th) Victorian League Second Division match at Gar-diners Creek Reserve, Sat-

WAVERLEY CITY: Darch — Coulter, Patterson, Dixon, Wilson — Willcocks (Droudge half time, Crompton 65th), Storey, Kennan — Grimwade, Gameras, Budd.

AMATEUR LEAGUE
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SUBURRIS Y Melborne Unit. A superb first-half goal by former Socceroo Chris Kalifatidis gave South Oakleigh a 1-0 victory in the local derby against Waverley City. SIVISION TWO
Sunday: RINGWOOD POVERS V Colingwood City, Nth Melbeurm v DIGGENS
REST, Philip institute V YARRA UTD, ERIDTONS V Goscorde, BIAMONO VALLEY V Co-

DIVISION THREE
Sunday: Reservoir Esples v HAWTHORN
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v Yarra Boml Kalifatidis has been used as a striker this season instead of in defence, where he made a name for himself with South Melbourne Hellas. He showed

ndidate Sunbury in Langama Park on Tuesday, July 30 at

EAS...

• Highly rated English manager Lawrie McMenemy has taken charge of second division Sunderland.

Former England international Terry McDermott, once widely reported to be on Adelaide City Juventus' wanted list, has joined Hartlepool United of English League Divison Four.

e Ex-Adelaide City Ju-rentus player Neil Banfield las been given a free transfer by Orient.

Quich Grasshoppers have signed West German striker Dieter Muller from Bordeaux on a six month contract, which will be extended if Grasshoppers' Swist international Claudio Sulser has not recovered from an injury by February.

e Former French inter-national Jean Francois Larios has joined Strasbourg.

Gordo Cowans and Paul Rideout have signed for Bari

— newly promoted to Italy's Serie A — from Aston Villa.

• Ex-Northern Ireland international Chris Nicholl has been appointed manager at Southhampton.

Peter Barnes, who was a guest member of Manchester United's touring party in Australia last year, has joined the club on a permanent basis. A \$100,000 transfer took him from Coventry City.

e Stave Dods, promoter of Ke vin Ke egan's visit to Australia, is the elder brother of Glen Dods, the former Adel-aide City Juventus and New Zesland full back.

e Volga Gorky, the Soviet Second Division club, has been disbanded by the Soviet National Sports Committee after investigations revealed a major corruption scandal. It transpires that the club's co-trainers, Alexai Malichuk and Viktor Rakhman-kin, accepted bribas of \$180 a month from young hopefuls wishing to gain or retain places in the team. Older players received a cut of the money.

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RIMGWOOD WILHELMINA 5 (Stewart 55th, 61st, Burton 70th, Shannon penalty 76th, Thompson 80th)

NORTHCOTE 2 (Toro penalty 43rd, penalty 65th) at Jubileo Park, Sunday.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Kasimas 7 - Haupt 7. Corke 7. Murray 7. Wemyas 6 (inj. Alarcon 83rd) - M. Bakker 6 (htyholt 76th). Shannon 1. Burton 8. Kebede 7. Thompson 7. Stewart 8. Coach: Cor Teeuw.

NORTHCOTE: Gianopoulos 5 - Stilladis 4, Cutler 5, Kourmenos 5. J.

Constantinou 5 - Filippis 3. Wilson 7. Toro 6 - Patiniolis 6, Patskaos 4. P. Constantinou 4. Coach: Jimmy Pyrgolios.

Bast three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Burton (RW), 2. Wilson (North), 1. Stewart (RW).

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20 — Cosentino (Thomastown), Webster (Pines)
18 — Livingstone (Croydon), Culina (Dinamo)
16 — Hughes (Box Hill)
15 — Bissinger (Knox)
14 — MacLean (Morwell),
Esposito (Suburbs), Haupt
(Wilhelmina)
13 — Beech (Croydon),

13 — Beech (Croydon), Cooke (Pines), Gibson (Polonia)

12 — McGuinness, Di-movski (Suburbs) 11 — McMillan (Box Hill),

11 — McMillan (Box Hill),
Boyle (Fawkner)
10 — Harrison (Box Hill,
Quigley (Fawkner), Athesych (Morwell), Stenson
(Suburbs), Burton (Wilheimina)
9 - Douglas (Albion), Verechia (Box Hill), Ozzeella
(Fawkner), Wilson, Patiniotis (Northcote), Bannon
(Springvale)

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Leading scorers: 15 — Thomas (Pines), Athersych (Morwell) 13 — A. Humble (Box Hill), French (Croydon) 11 — Warszawski (Polo-

10 - McGuinness (Su-burbs)

9 — P. Constantinou (Northcote) 8 — Cozzella (Fawkner), Webster (Pines) 7 — Morovic (Dinamo), Flaherty, Lakic (Thomas-

6 — Stirton (Morwell), Culina (Dinamo)

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CAMERAS SPONSON DOCKERTY

Rozic, Jurin break up Blacktown

Syd. Croatia 4 Blacktown 0

Scorers: Jurin 31st, 35th (pen) and 36th, Patikas 86th. Yenue: Croeta Stadium. Referee: Peter Rampley. Cautions: Vidaic, Arnold (Croatia), Thornthwaite (Blacktown). Crowd: 4800

There is an aura of quiet

professionalism about this Croatia team now — and not just because seven of its players are full-timers. It has mastered the art of scoring from rapid counter-attacks — situations which some colleagues, with a medicual mind, call "against the run of play". This is how effective soccer is being played nowadays in most of Europe, only the very better the property of the player of the barricades like Marines at I wo Jima. On this occasion, Croatia was lucky to have two brainy footballers in its side capable of plotting and then executing moves to fit into the pattern. At the back Rozic not only defended impeccably but also distributed in great style. And up front there was Celiko Jurin, former Hajduk and Sibenik winger who, in a five-minute spell, exploded into high class action, grabbing a hat-triful, Blacktown clidn't deserve to get this drubhing, in the second half, down 0-3, it played some excellent stuff, swinging the ball around well, creating chances — but then missing them. It could so easily have pegged back a couple of goals, making it ever so much closer — before Jim Patikas made it 49 and a somewhat flattering score for the hosts.

Referee Peter Rampley issued three cautions in the first half hour for a variety of since deliberate handball, dissent and then a foul. With that years and the proposed to the pro

becoming the fashion at our grounds.

In the 31st minute Patikas made a fine run on the wing and set up Jurin. His shot, at lirst, slammed into the diving Hoare but he was lucky enough to get the rebound and put it away.

Four minutes later Patikas was brought down just inside the box, rather unnecessarily, Jurin blasted the penalty just under the crossbar, about half an inch from the woodwork. And barely a minute later it

an inch from the woodwork.
And barely a minute later it
was a hat-trick. A long through
ball allowed Jurin to run onto
the ball, speed easily past
Spanos and Pointer and send a

low shot into the corner.

The first 25 minutes or so of the second half belonged to Blacktown Bourke's drive was saved well by Watson,

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. Jim Patikas - scored his 14th

Man of the match: VEDRAN ROZIC (Croatia)

But once this sylish fellow also hits peak form, Croatia

But once this syilish fellow also hits peak form, Croatia will be extremely hard to toss. It was good to see the return of Robert Wheatley, after missing many weeks with Illness. With him in the middle of the delence, Blacktown would have been a serious contender. Blacktown, or this occasion, failed because in that magic prief spell John Spanos simply couldn't hold Jurin. But it appears to have serious problems up front, too where only Phil O'Connor is any threat at goal. Perhaps if Bradley had been partnering him instead of being lost in a crowded midfield, it would have been a different story.

Penrith for the plunge?

BRAD EARL

Andrew Dettre

then an O'Connor's penalty was well saved by Watson, guessing correctly where the ball would be sent. By now it could have been 3-1 or 3-2; instead, it became

In the 86th minute Drag-icevic sent a low pass to the middle and Patkas elegantly flicked it into the corner. If Croatia can win 40 with-out playing brilliantly, it must be a fair bet for the title. Its international midfielder, Zarko Odzakov-is playing well below his best; his promptings and finishing are not what they could be.

Penrith 0 Syd. Olympic 1

Venue: Cook Park. Crowd: 1,285. Referee; G. Warne 6. Scorer: Kalantzis 27th.

Scorer: Kalantsis 27th.

Coach Manfred Schaefer rates his side's first-half effort as "brilllant" but Olympic was almost pegged back by desperate Penrith after the Interval.

"We let them back into the game and as they are in religation trouble, they were fighting for their lives," Schaefer said.

The Olympic boss was pleased to see Peter Katholos back after a long lay off with Aueen highty.

pleased to see Peter Katholos back after a long lay off with a knee injury.

The former Soccerso mid-fleider took the free kick which led to the only goal.

He played the ball into the penalty area from the left touch line and Chris Kalantzis met it with a powerful volley into the top corner.

Olympic threatened Penrith in the first half with the powerful forward play of Kalantzis and Marshall Soper, returning from suspension.

However, after a strong opening to the second half, Penrith took over and created chances which piled pressure on Olympic's rearguard.

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Then Ian Hunter broke away on the left but, with Meier deciding to stay on his line, the Penrith datacker shot across goal.

It was another disappointing

goal.

It was another disappointing result for Penrith, which is now firm favorite in the relegation market.

Penrith could count itself unlucky against Croatia and now Olympic but as coach Willie Wallace pointed out after the match; "You cannot win matches if you don't score goals,"

goals."
The stars were centre backs
Jim Ziras for Olympic and Don
Campbell for Penrith. Both
were in confident form, contin-'FOR GOOD FOOD AND AFTER MATCH REFRESHMENTS"

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the match: JIM ZIRAS

(Syd. Olympic)

ually relieving pressure in front of their keepers.

To add to the frustration of both sets of forwards, both keepers, Michael Gibson and Gary Meier, were in great touch, plucking everything out of the air and keeping well on the line.

of the air and keeping well on the line.

But while Meier is almost assured of a top five play-off place with his club, Michael Gibson will have to sweat it out until after the Newcastle match (last of the year) before finding out the fate of his team.

Whatever the outcome, nobody would deny the sterling job done by Willie Wallace with this Penrith outfit.

the match:

Laurie Schwab (Melb. Croatia 1

SM-Hellas 1

Scorers: Ward (Cr) 66th, Egan (SMH) 86 th, Venue: Olympic Park, Crowd: about 3800. Cautions: McIntosh (Cr), Biskic (Cr), Halford (SMH), Ward (Cr), Rossis (SA) 7.

Ward (Cr).

Referee: J Rossis (SA) 7.

South Melbourne Hellas's champion qualities were fully tested by the highly skilful Melbourne Croatia side, led in midfield by Suleiman Curovic who has found a new lease of life since transferring from Footscray JUST.

Curovic, Josip Biskic, Drago Deankovic and Gary Ward damboozled Hellas with some delightful passages of play in the first half and, indeed, had more scoring chances than Hellas throughout the match. But when the chips were down, Hellas came out of its shell, abandoned the caution it had employed to its own detriment in the first half, and gushed forward in a determined bid to equalise. Finally, with only four minutes left, Steve Blair played the ball over the advancing defence, Charlie Egan controlled it on his foot with one touch, and slammed his shot past Mirke.

Croatia, which had taken the ead through Ward in the 66th.

Croatia, which had taken the lead through Ward in the 66th. minute, relied on defence and breakaways have having sored. Had it tried instead, to continue pushing forward, it may just have snatched its third successive victory over

Hellas.
Praise is due however, to hellas stalwarts Bobby Russell — who almost scored with a powerful header — Gary

SULEMAN CUROVIC (Malb. Croatia)

CHARLIE EGAN SAVES HELLAS

CUROVICIS

McDowell, Angie Postecglou who certainly prevented a second Croatia goal with a tackle on Ante Ljubic, and, in the second half, Carl Hallord, who was tireless in the midfield, trying to compensate forthe absence of Ken Murphy and the subdued nature of Oscar Crino, who was hampered by a groin strain.

Croatia missed Steve Gojevic, who was ill, and Tony Curcio had been injured the previous week and did not come on until late in the match. Robert Markovac, Croatia's top scorer last year, made a comeback after injury. Russell check his shot.

At the other end, big Dave McIntosh, who reigned su-

block his shot.
At the other end, big Dave
McIntosh, who reigned supreme in the air, turned for a
corner, a square ball in the
penalty area from Crino, who
had weaved past three opponents.

nents.
Curovic spotted Peter
Laumets off his line three
minutes after half time and
beat the goalkeeper with a
promising low shot which,
however, flashed just past the

however, flashed just past the post contain continued creating the better chances From a Biskic corner, McIntosh headed on and Markovac, on the volley, sent the ball whistling across the good with the national youth squad, dropped the ball a couple of times under pressure, but he showed a lot of class in the Soth minute, when he ran out to head the ball away from the property of the state of the contained the property of the couple of the couple of the couple of the showed a lot of class in the showed a

Curovic — who created moves thoughfully, and skil-fully and also won the ball con-sistently switched play to the

Suleiman Curovic - new lease of life at

other end, with a pass to Ward on the left. Ward sent a great ball to Ljubic, and again Laumets was caught well off his line as Ljubic lobbed the goalkeeper, only to see the ball go past the post.

It was Curovic who set up Croatia's goal in the 66th minute, with a brilliant through ball that sent Ward galloping through the offside trap.

Out came Laumets, and Ward ward went around him before planting the ball into the empty net for his ninth goal of the season. Yes, ninth. The goal that was credited to Minutesh in he match against Marnesh in the match against Marnesh in the first flanker, Peter Vardaxis in the 69th minute. Vardaxis had been playing in Murphy's position.

Ljubic broke away on a ball from Ward in the 71st minute, but Postecoglou came out of

nowhere and dispossessed him with a perfect tackle inside the area.

But Ljubic was replaced in the 75th minute by Curcio, who went to midfield. Earlier, Greg House had come on for Markovac.

In a House-Ward counter-attack through the middle, Ward made his way into the area, but was stopped expertly by Russell.

by Russell.

Hellas almost equalised in a frantic scramble inside the six-yard box six minutes from the end. Egan nipped in front of Runje who was unable to reach the ball and it bounced to Bozinovski whose shot however, hit Drago Deankovic and eventually went out. Bozinovski, incidentally, played an extremely negative game strange for a player of his skill.

Egan finally drew the match.

Egan finally drew the match

weeks for Inter as Carbone It's 10 goal sinks Marconi Man of



Peter Windsor

Inter Monaro 1 Marconi 0

Venue: Seffert Oval. Scorer: Carbone. Sent off: Cartor (Marconi). Cautions: Budini (Monaro). Brennan (Monaro). Jankovics, McPhusson, Tredinnick (Marc) Crowd; 98.

Two sensational minutes saw Monaro score and Marconi reduced to 10

Men.

Not even Marconi — arguably the best attacking side in Australian soccer — could recover from the combination of the goal and having only 10-men.

But don't be quick to jump in with excuses. Yes even with 10 men Mar-

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ATTILIO CARBONE (Mignaro)

coni was incredibly unlucky, considering it hit the wood work once, had one cleared off the goal-line — and incredibly one of its own players prevented what must have been a certain goal.

But Monaro, too, in a scrappy, spoiling second half also created chances — and found the net.

created chances — and the net.
Yes, found the net — twice.
And one of them perhaps should have stood.
But first the sensational two minutes in the first half.

minutes in the first half.

Marconi had started brilliantly and in the first seven minutes managed three corners and a shot that brought out the best in goal-keeper Michael Hocking when he pulled off a brilliant reflex save to thwart Mark Jankovics.

To use a boxing analogy, Monaro was already shaken and unsteady — then came the two minutes that changed the game.

Giampaolo had hassled a Mar-coni defender into an in-effective clearance as the ball fell to midfielder and Man-of-he-Match Attilio Carbone (ex-Marconi) on the right-hand edge of the penalty area.

Carbone then proceeded to fool Marconi's goalkeeper Alex McPherson as he caught him off the line and chipped the ball over his hands into the roof of the net.

Then Monaro's front-runner Tony Brennan fouled Marconi fullback Paul Carter. Brennan was on the ground and Carter lashed out with his boot — and got his marching orders from Melbourne refer-ee Jim Fearn.

m Fearn. ennan received a yellow

the 14th minute big e-back Steve Calderan

twice won headers in Monaro's area — the second falling perfectly for David Lowe. Lowe cracked in a shot and its bounce fooled goalkeeper Hocking but hit the post. In the 21st minute it was again Jankovics through and shooting in a one-to-one with Hocking, with Hocking saving the day with an outstretched leg.

the day with an leg. Monaro was beginning to settle and play much more effectively in the midfield but didn't really fire up front, with John Walsh lacking pace and Giampaolo commitment.

Giampaolo commitment.
Again, in the 28th minute, it
was Marconi as a superblystruck Peter Tredinnick
corner found Calderan and the
big defender's header was just
fingertipped around the post
by Hocking.

by Hocking
Then came that incredible incident when Jankovies got in the way of David Lowe's shot, with Hocking beaten.
Marconi must have thought quite correctly — that nothing would ever go right.
Monaro, too, created chances — perhaps the best coming in the 34th minute when Giampaol old superbly to squeeze of a pass to Walsh but the front-runner fumbled and muffed the chance.
One-nil up at the interval —

One-nil up at the interval — one wondered if Monaro would

In fact it bravely chose to come forward — knowing, of course, that Marconi had also to push forward to bridge the gap.

gap.

And in the 58th minute when midfielder Billy Willox made space and saw his chance his shot was on target, only to be fingertipped around the post by McPherson.

Minutes later Tony Brennan and Walsh combined in a neat one-two but Walsh's shot was wide of the post.

As the match progressed it was spoiled by niggling off-the-ball tackles — picked up with

monotonous regularity by Fearn.
Yellow cards came out like confetti and by the final whistle names in Fearn's book besides Carter, Brenana and Jankovics from the first half, were Marconi's goalkeeper Alex McPherson, Peter Tredinnick and Monaro's Ricki Budini.
But don't think, as I said earlier, it was one-way second-half traffic.
Marconi failed to produce its first half form and was well contained by Monaro's hard working midfield and back-line.

line.
In fact it was Monaro that could legitimately plead bad

luck.
It's first "goal", when John
Walsh rose to head the ball between McPherson's legs in the

65th minute, was cleary an in-fringement as Walsh lifted himself above the defender. But Chris Thammidis's 69th minute shot was a beauty. He cracked it from the right flank and easily beat McPherson. A linesman, however, had spotted Walsh offside and flagged — but as he hadn't interfered in any way with the play one would have thought the goal would have stood. It was an incredible, giant-killing win by Monaro.

And it stretches its unbeaten run to an equally incredible 10

It could easily take max-imum points from its final two games — an effort that would probably see it only narrowly edged out of a spot in the top five of the Northern Division.

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Jim MacLean in a happier mood as he proudly displays his 1984 Victorian Rothmans

Bans for MacLean,

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

The Morwell Falcons committee is keeping tight lipped about the affair but I understand that Morwell's 1984 Victorian Rothmans Medal winner, Jim MacLean, has been banned from entering the club's social rooms. three remaining places in the top four and the fight to avoid relegation.

Polonia takes on Knox at Raleigh Reserve on Sunday and must win to stay in line for a top four berth. Davie Gibson missed last weekend's game through suspension, se did

a top four berth. Davie Gibson missed last weekend's game through suspension as did foreg Warszawski. Gibson will be back for the clash with Knox while Warszawski's fate will be decided by the tribunal list week. Polonia's latest signing, Slobodan Stojecvski, bought from Footscray J.U.S.T. for \$500 the day before the transfer deadline, made his senior debut against Siburbs last weekend. Polonia should win. Northcote and St Albans Dinamo could be fighting for their State League lives when the country of the coun

further into the mire but I'm tipping a draw. Box Hill will be coached by Tom Newbiggin for Sunday's Wembley Park clash with Thomastown. Keith Webster flies overseas on Sunday for six weeks on a business trip. Webster isn't Box Hill's only loss. Striker Peter Verechia will be holidaying in Fiji for the next fortnight and although English import Shurday, he's likely to play in he reserves on Sunday to gain much aceded match fitness. And the Hillmen also will be

needed match (itness
And the Hillmen also will be
without midfielder Dean Henneessy, suspended. Which
means that Thomastown's
task isn't as great as it would
have been had Box Hill had a
full list available. Even so,
Thomastown has been pathetic
recently, so I'll go for the Hillmen.

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Rawkner striker Joe Palinkas should be back in the
sinkas arrived long the should be
so mine Reserve Springvale.
Palinkas arrived late for last
weekend's clash with Knox
and was put on the bench
Bruno Cozzella missed the
Knox match through injury
and is doubtful this week too
Springvale can grab another
precious point here, its 8th in
five games, a record which
should enable the club to
mount another State League
sortee next year Here are this
weekend's games, with likely
winners in capitals:
SATURDAY
FANNKSTON PINES V
Ringwood Wilhohmina at Monterey Reserve, 3pm.
Albion Turk Gucu v Morvell
Falcons (draw) at Selwyn
Park, 3pm.
SUNDAY
Northcote v St Albans
Dinamo (draw) at John Cein
Reserve, 3pm.
CROYDON v Wostern

Dinamo (draw) at John Cain Resarva, Spm. CROYDON v Western Suburbs at Croydon Park, Spm. BOX HILL v Thomasown at Wembley Park, Spm. POLONIA v Knox City at Raleigh Reserve, Spm. Fawkner v Springvale

MacLean, his wife, and a Morwell committeeman re-Morwell committeeman re-portedly were involved in a scuffle after Morwell's 3-0 win over Thomastown at North Crinigan Reserve two weeks ago. Morwell winger Effle Cassar was involved in an earl-ier incident with a Morwell supporter.

I phoned Morwell secretary Theo Doucas on Monday and put it to him that MacLean and Cassar faced bans imposed by the committee.

"Your information is in-correct and I've got no further comment to make," said Dou-

cas.
Sensing that perhaps it only
was MacLean who was banned, Iput that to Doucas.
"Again, I've got no comment to make Anyway, it's
not headline news. There are
other aspects of the game that
the press could write about,
rather than minor internal
aspects of a club's affairs,"
said Doucas.

rather than minor merima-aspects of a club's affairs," said Doucas. MacLean claims that his wife and the committeeman were involved in a heated ar-gument which got out of hand. MacLean also got involved and after considering the matter, has decided not to take legal action against the com-mitteeman.

action against the committeeman. I understand than neither MacLean nor Cassar made representations to the committee meeting at which both incidents were discussed. Former committeeme are critical of certain members of the present committee, as are some of the players. A large lobby group wants former president, Don Di Fabrizio, to return to the helm But Di Fabrizio seems to be enjoying his break from soccer and there and a facults about him becoming heavily involved in the club be took from the Provisional Leagues to State League.

Leagues to State League.

This will make for interesting reading at Selwyn Park.

Albion Turk Gucu, staring relegation fairly and squarely in the face, takes on Morwell on Saturday and must at least get a point. Given the conflict at Morwell and the fine fighting effort Albion put up against Springvale last weekend, a draw is more than just a pipedream for the Selwyn faithful.

Rob Nelson Should return to

Rob Nelson should return to Koo Nelson should return to the Frankston Pines line-up for Saturday's clash with Ringwood Wilhelmina at Mon-terey Reserve. Nelson missed Pines' 4-0 win over Thomas-town last weekend as he had the flu. Pines should win.

Put down your glasses, the race is over. Croydon has the 1885 championship in the bag. There's little likelihood of the league leader surrendering a five-point break at the top as it continues its surge towards its first ever State League title.

That surge should continue at Croydon Park on Sunday, denting the top four hopes of Western Suburbs.

With the title race seem-ingly over, the focus of atten-

Last chance for Melita Eagles

This Sunday at Memorial Park, Melita will have its last opportunity to stop Meadow from running away with the title. It will be a tall order indeed. Meadow has conceded just two goals in seven matches at home, losing only one point in the process.

The last time these sides met, at Melita Stadium, the points were shared in a 0-0 draw. This time the home side certainly looks to have the edge but yet another 0-0 draw looks the most reasonable out-

This scoreline could open the way for Canterbury and Sutherland to get closer to the top but neither side will have

neasy task. In fact, I fancy Manly to take a point from Sutherland at Cromer and Kurningai to do likewise to Calcally as been sting in defence and the strong in defence of the stars at the back. Sutherland hasn't been all that successful in the scoring department in

NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

its matches with Manly War-ringah. The last three matches between these sides ended in draws (1-1, 0-0, and 1-1) and it would be strange to see this se-quence broken. Canterbury is away to Kuri-ngai, the side which inflicted one of the three losses the Berries have suffered this sea-son. This is the one that Canterbury would dearly love to win but I feel that the locals will be a tough nut to crack.

mage inside the Bankstown area.

For the rest of the match both sides played well, with very few real chances created, then, with injury time being played, disaster struck for the home side. Steve Anderson managed to save from a point blank shot by Hassan Yujinovic came in to clear but his clearance rebounded off the leg of a Bankstown player and into the net!

For Yujinovic, that ended a poor match. Andrej Pop and Micky Bratkovic also failed to show the fire needed to help Polonia get away from the bottom of the table.

Canberbury 1

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Manly 0

At Adington Oval, Scorer: Hantzis pon. 83rd. Canterbury still is in the chase for the title follow-ing its lucky escape against Manly Warringah at Arlington. For the

at Arrington. For the second week running, Ca-nterbury produced less than expected but man-aged to survive and in this instance even take both

The home side had its first

points.

The home side had its first opportunity to threaten Barker after 21 minutes but Kirwan then Radman failed to connect with the ball following a corner kick from the right hand side.

Canterbury attacked the venom and for about 20 minutes controlled proceedings but apart from a free kick by Hantzis failed to send asingle drive towards goal.

Then came this fine run by Johnny Anagnostopoulos in the 85th. He was brought down inside the area and Spiro Hantzis drove his shot low and wide of Barker to scoro from the radiating penales and the next and a stopping the stopping to the control of the stopping to the stopping to the stopping that the stopping to the stopping that the stopping that the stopping the stopping that the stopping that the stopping that the stopping that the stopping the stopping that the stopping the stopping that the stopping that the stopping that the stopping that the stopping the stopping that the stopping the stopping that the stopping the stopping the stopping that the stopping th

points.

The two sides drew last year, 2-2 and 4-9, with the first march this season going in Kw. Ring Carlon 1-1 farmer of the season going of the season going of the season going of the season going of the season park and polonia could take a walloping at knight park, but the real battle is on at Mona Park with Uruguay and Narrabeen battling to escape relegation, it

will be a do-or-die match with Narrabeen having more speed and tenacity while Uruguay has the upper hand in skill-Difficult to predict and yet another draw wouldn't surprise. This weekend's games. SATURDAY Manly v Sutherland at Cronner Park. SUNDAY Fairy Meadow v Molita Eagles at Memorial Park. Ku-Ring-Gü v Cantorbury at Parklands Oval. Banktstown v Rockdale Ilinden at Jensen Park. Uruguay v Narrabeon at Mona Park. Avala v Polonia at Knights Park.

DRYS CAN'T STOP Skypack State League Table BANKSTOWN

The Rockdale Ilinden v Ku-Ring-Gai match, set for last Sunday at Hurstville Oval, was postponed by the Hurstville municipal council last Friday morning. And all because we had a few showers on Wednesday and Thursfell, allowing Hassan to cut back infield and face Anderson before firing a successful shot. Ten minutes later, Andrew Pop equalised after a scrim-mage inside the Bankstown area.

The fact that sunshine on Friday and Saturday meant that the ground was in perfect condition did not defer the council. To make matters with the sunshine on the sunshine of t

and opens up the stage League
title chase.
Melita dropped a point and
Canterbury squeezed past
Manly to be three points
behind Fairy Meadow with six
rounds remaining.
Polonia conceded a late goal
against Bankstown to lose yet
another match at Chopin Park
despite playing its new arrival
from Poland, Jurek Drys.
It is just as tight at the
bottom of the table with Narrabeen, Uruguay, Bankstown
and Polonia separated by two
points.
The garnes remaining see
these four clubs tackle one an-

Melita 1 **Uruguay 1**

At Melita Stadium Scorers: Allan 58th, Rodas

"We wuz robbed!" was the cry from the Melita Eagles camp after this

the cry from the Melita Lagles camp after this upset.

Melita claimed that the referee should have awarded at least low penalty kicks and steed the steed of the

line.
Rosano, Slav Planinic and Tony O'Shana were the best for Uruguay while Allan, Farrugia and McAusland were a shade better than the rest at Melita.

Sutherland 2 Fairy Meadow 0

Fairy Meadow was flat and unimaginative in its 2-0 loss to Sutherland at Seymour Shaw but still kept ahead of its title rivals after round 16.

rivals after round 16.
Sutherland was always the better side and looked in command for most of the match. With an ounce of luck and some good shooting the sore could have been embarrassing for the side which had conceded only seven goals in its previous Is matches. Jimmy Webber, always ag-

by Johny Lavin to Partner Brian Gray. As Lavin indicated before the match. Sutherland was badly in need of an aggressive man up front. And Webber did not fail.

The game was hardly a minute old when Mark Harrington exchanged passes with Gray before sending Rogers wide on the right. A deep cross followed and Weber was at the far post to hit a first time volley which rocketted off the bands of Young and into the net.

voicey which rocketted on the hands of Young and into the net.

Webber also was instrumental in the second goal. Peter Beggs ran into space to receive a great through ball by Webber before pushing his shot over the keeper.

Webber had another opportunity to score three minutes into the second half, but his lob, which beat Young, sailed over the crossbar. Beggs could have added to his tally only two minutes after scoring his first. Accepting a pass from Webber he faced Young on the edge of the area. He raced past the keeper but his shot was cleared off the line by Berringer.

Narrabeen 1

Narrabeen 1 Avala 3

At Narrabeen Sports Centre Scorers: Sandtner 33rd, Carney 36th, Jeffery 43rd, 90th. Grac 5

Greg Sandtner gave the Greg Sandtner gave the locals a glimpse of hope with his goal midway through the first half, but Ray Carney dashed it all with a goal which the locals claim was from an offside position.

"He was yards offside" claimed an irate Narrabeen official.
Well. offside or not, that

claimed an irate Narrabeen of-ficial.

Well, offside or not, that goal seems to have given Avala the spark it needed.
Glen Jeffery scored his first goal in six weeks by lobbying Peter Dean close to half time and from then on there was no stopping the visitors. The su-perior ball skills of Avala showed out with Narrabeen stretched far and wide at times.

Despite this dominance.
Peter Dean kept his goal well and Allan Dean almost equal ised for Narrabeen close to full time.

Then, in stoppage time.
Avala scored following a quick break by Tony Jordan, whose

Then, in stoppage time, Avala scored following a quick break by Tony Jordan, whose cross found Jeffery close to the line to head past Dean.

For Narrabeen, things weren't all that pleasant in the last 18 minutes having to play with 10 men following the dismissal of David Watt in the 72nd minute.

Polonia 1 Bankstown 2

At Chopin Park. Scorers: Hassan 25th, 90th, Pop 35th.

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Chopin Park has become a graveyard for Polonia. It has yielded only two points from two drawn matches this season.

Away from home, Polonia has beaten Narrabeen and Meitta Eagles!

And to make matters worse, this loss came with the arrival of new import from Poland, Jurek Drys.

Drys slotted into midfield alongside Henjek Sobczyk and was an instant success. His passes were crisp and accurate and his defensive work strong, but Polonia had only and polary more were needed. Peter Hassan put Bankstown abead in the 25th minotte when he ran onto a through ball followed by Mahamah.

D FAIRY MEADOW 11 3 CANTERBURY 9 4 3 31 Ku-Ring-Gai 7 5 3 21 Avala 6 6 Rockdale 5 5 Manly 4 6 4 20 5 21 5 15 Narrabeen...... 2 4 9 12 33 Uruguay 1 5 9 7 21 Bankstown 2 3 9 10 29 Polonia 2 2 11 14 42

TOP SCORERS

- Don Allan (CM), Ross Brown (RI). Dounis (CM) Anagnostopoulos, Borges, Kirwan (CM), Walker (ME),

5 — Anagnostopoulos, Borges, Kirwan (CM), Walker (ME), Gray (S).
5 — Sutherland (K), Dalforno, Beggs (S).
4 — Carney, Jeffery (A), Silva (CM), Mowbray, Fontana (FM), Campbell (MW), Vial (ME), Janic (P), O'Shana (U).
3 — Lucchesi (A), Baker, Morlande (FM), Bennett, Bass (K), Wilson, Farrugia (ME), A. Dean (N), Pop (P), Papas (R), Tasker (S).

MELITA 1 (Allan 58th) URUGUAY 1 (Rodas 62nd) at

Melita Stadium.

MEUTA: Mullen 7 — Laing 8, Wilson 7, McCoy 7, O'Rourke 7 —
McAusland 7, Farrugia 8, Davies 7 — Dolton 7, Allan 8 (64th Walker

meAusarin 7, ramgia 6, Davies 7 — Joston 7, Alian 8 (64th Walker 7), Vial 7.

URUGUAY: Rosano 9 — Jones 7 (Folladoso 62nd), Hasty 7, Plan-nic 8, Perez 6 (Menesis 62nd 7) — Fernandez 5, Saura 6, Benitez 6, Arabelo 6 — Rodas 7, O'Shana 7

NARRABEEN 1 (Sandtner 33rd) AVALA 3 (36th Carney, 43rd, 90th Jeffery) at Narrabeen.
NARRABEEN Dean 7 - Heiney 7, Wett 7, Friend 6, Parlist 6 - Griffin 6, Collings 5, A, Dean 7, Van Helden 7 - Sandtner 6, Nacinovició (Hughes 80th).
AVALA: Vukas 6 - Jordan 6, Lembryk 7, Pratt 7, Divani 7 - Murray 6, Atlagic 6, Anderson 7, Carney 8 - Jeffery 7, Martinez 6 (Tracey 80th).

SUTHERLAND 2 (Webber 1st, Beggs 76th) FAIRY MEADOW 0 at Saymour Shaw Park.

SUTHERLAND, Burchmore 7 — Schumann 7, DelForno 7, Burrows 7, Terry 7 — Roger 2, Harrington 7, Johnson 5 (Beggs 67th), Meades 6 — Webber 6 (Tasker 85th), Gray 7, FAIRY MEADOW, Young 6 — Chilby 6, Jones 6 (Sweeney 46th 7), Berringer 8, Fenning 7 (Bradiery 22nd) — Morlando 5, Plef 7, Richardson 8, Mowthey 6 — Baker 5, Fontana 5.

POLONIA 1 (Pop 35th) BANKSTOWN 2 (Hassan 25th, 90th) at Chopin Park. POLONIA: Anderson 7 - Geskio 7, Lasek 6, Vujinovic 5, Quinn 6 - Sobczyk 6, Drys 7, Mahamah 7 - Pop 6, Janic 7, Bratkovic 5 BANKSTOWN: unavaliable.

CANTERBURY 1 (Hantzis pen. 85th) MANLY WAR-RINGAH 0 at Arlington.

KINGAH U at Arlington.

CANTERBURY: Humell 8.— Karaspiros 5, Pena 7, Radman 8, Hantzis 7.— Ortega 8 (Effiniadas 83rd), Hormazabal 5, Miokovic 5 (Laws 63rd 6), Anagnostopoulos 8.— Borges 7, Kirwan 6, MANLY WARRINGAH: I. Barker 8.— Dennis 6; J. Dick 8, Pearce 8, J. Barker 6.— Pagano 6, Gogic 7, Etherington 6.— Stuart 5 (Vale 80th), G. Williamson 7, Holloway 5.

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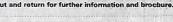
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I was amazed to read in the last issue of "Soccer Action" that not only could Australia's soccer scribes name the most enter-taining player but also the most

taining player but also the most chief taining player but also the most boring.

I mean, only two Victorians made the squad — Messrs Sweeney and Williams — a terrible insult. What about all the other boring Vics — if Joe Sweeney is boring then surely Garty Ward must make Croatia supporters suffer from by polycomia and us for Williams, he has played at striker, midfield, left back and sweeper so if he is boring what does that make Zarko Odzakov? He can only play in one position and couldn't get a game for Preston and had to move on to a "lesser" team in that other State How come the O'sheas got guernseys? That smacks of racial prejudice and I'm sure the I.R.A will be contacting you personally about the matter. Why no Greeks on the boring list? Lots of "fany-dancers" in that group of home sapiens.

The list could go on and on but who am I to say who is or who is not a boring player? Perhaps "Soccer Action" could run a "boring player? Perhaps "Soccer Action" could run a "boring player Perhaps "Soccer Action" fould run a "boring player Perhaps "Socier Action" fould run a "boring player series. The late of the player of the

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Marcelo D'Amico: 4ast seen handing the Soccer Action" State League player of the fear ward (to be replaced in 1986 by Most Joring Player of the Year Award) to Thomas-own Stony Cosentino.

Ken Contra: a great journalistic prospect as a set of Fear-own extract seads of Pearlish.

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foraws.

Craig MacKenzie recently turned down a
three figure offer to replace Lou Richards on
the "World of Sport" panel. He reckoned it
would interfere with his major jobs — watching
Collingwood and being the major sponsor for
Sandringham City Soccer (Clab.

Laurie Schwab: The Mr Packer of Australian
soccer, famous for announcing the arrival of yet
another famous Yugoslav piayer from the Yugoslav Znd, or was it 37d division, who will be
here next Wednesday or definitely by next Saturday or if no tby March next year, providing
the visa can be found.

Les Murray who is said to have said "I,
said" before anybody said anything. Dresses in

punk suits and likes dark South American players who are not boring.

Andrew Dettre famous for his genetic knowledge. Life long ambition is to create a team of the first blue-eyed, blond haired, 6ft. Im rugged Oscar Crinos called Schmidt. Has made several investigative trips to the jungles of South America where he has friends in high places.

Les Shorrock known for taking not-so-boring shots of players in compromising positions. Is rumoured to be pro-British, but that accent of his is fake and is only there to impress real British people. His favourite occupation is watching Albon Turk Gueuc Guekoo.

Peter Destra known for quoting coaches to perfection and a main to be trusted at all cost. Mick Mitten no relation to Mick O'Brien who used to write for "Soccer Action" and occasionally was seen watching his brother play Societies for the most office of the control of the most office of the control of the most office of the with the same name as my first choice wins the honor of one free copy of "Soccer Action" per year for the next B years.

—MIKE LYNN, On behalf of the vawn brigade.

ar for the next 10 years.
MIKE LYNN, On behalf of the yawn brigade.
SIR — Or is it GOD? According SIR — Or is it GOD? According to the ridiculous article you displayed in "Soccer Action" (dated 10/7/85) you obviously have become the supreme judge of humanity, at least as far as soccer players are concerned.

Well GOD, maybe you should not have to shoulder all the blame. It seems you had some help from your apostles (or "Soccer Action" ex-

help from your apostles (or "Soccer Action" ex-perts). What really happened in that issue? Was it at your last supper when you had drunk the five or six buckets of water which you had miracu-lously turned into wine, that you and the boys decided to humiliate and embarrass eight guys most of whom at one time or another, have rep-resented their state. As a matter of fact one or two even have had the audacity to represent their country.

rewheel their and the audacity to represent their country.

Two pages further on in your "bible" one of your so-called "Yawn brigade" was named "Man of the Match". Was that a slip of the pen by St. Peter (Desira)?

Has it ever occurred to you that these players could be playing to instruction and in our modern game a lot of natural flair was taken away from players? Maybe you should have a word with their couches.

I hope you publish this letter as a protest on behalf of all the players you have mentioned.

By the way, most of your experts were pretty exciting players in their day.

— JOE DOCHERTY, President, Prahran Celtic

It's fascinating to compare the after-maths of the Brussels tragedy and the Pratten Park riot.

Pratten Park riot.

And don't even attempt to tell me that they cannot be compared because in Brussels 38 people had died against zero in Sydney.

If those bloodthirsty barbarians on the field had their way, some Sydney City Hakoah players or officials could have been killed too.

It was, indeed, sheer luck that nobody ended up dead or haif dead.

The upshots of the Brussels tragedy are well known. All English clubs banned from the Cominent All English clubs kicked out from the Euro-Cups. So far some 28 Liverpool hoodtums identified and arrested by Liverpool police.

28 Liverpool hooddums identified and arrested by Liverpool police.
And now: the Belgian government resigns over the
Brussels police handling of
the stadium events.
Meanwhile, back in
Sydney...
Not a day passes without
some Olympic official voicing his protestations over
the "severity" of the punishments meted out to his club.
The \$10,000 fine is too
high; Marshall Soper's extra
\$1,000 fine is unfair; the loss
of the two points unreasonable. And so on. I suppose
Olympic was hoping for
some sort of a bravery
award, perhaps the Purple
Heart.
Even Soper chimed into

Even Soper chimed into the debate, mournfully an-nouncing that he is on the "verge of retirement" be-cause of the recent unhappy events.

events.

And an occasional TV reporter immediately went into a state of genutiexion telling Soper what an unspeakable loss that would be to Olympic, Australia, the Socceroos, the world.

In other words: neither Olympic (or at least its spokesman) nor Soper give

Andrew Dettre

No remorse from Olympic, Hakoah's record is pathetic

the slightest hint of remorse, only bitterness over the punishment for their actions. But let's go a bit further. Referee Ken Small's role in the incident also could have been examined.

In my opinion, he was wrong in not sending off Gomez for the very first, neck-high foul on Soper which surely merited the description of "violent conduct" as stipulated by the rules.

which surely merited the description of "violent conduct" as stipulated by the rules. If he couldn't get there in time before Soper began to strangle Gomer, well, both should have been sent off without further ado. When something like this happens in Europe, the referre also is held responsible for the disturbances and quite often cops a long suspension or removal from the FIFA list.

And what about the NSL office itself? It would be interesting to know who were the persons from the NSL or ASF who had deemed Pratten Park as suitable for National League matches?

able standards for grounds to be used.

If it had tried, it would not have found Pratten Park a safe place to stage major soccer matches.

In fact, several other grounds would also have been disqualified for one reason or another.

Again, the parallel with Europe: after a riol like that the governing body would reexamine all the grounds, stiffen the requirements and, if necessary, ban certain grounds.

and, if necessary, vancertain grounds.
Belgium, for example, cannot hold a EUEA-spensored cup final for 19 years.
But I bet you that Pratten
Park will be used again and soon without major alterations to the facilities . . .
And finally, the role of

ground being fenced off, on adequate police and club officials guarding the pitch? If they didn't, the NSL itself is guilty of neglect contributing to the riot. I doubt if the NSL has ever even tried to enforce part of its own constitution which prescribes minimum acceptable standards for grounds to be used.

If it had tried, it would not

Sydney City Hakoah in all

this.
Quite a lot of people claim that Hakoah has helped to trigger off the Pratter Park riot, through the violent action of Gerry Gomez.

I disagree Gomez was violent—and should have been served. Had justice been served—and seen to the seen served. So, in this respect, Sydney City is blameless.

However, I do agree that its team has a pathetic disciplinary record.
Only a week after the events of Pratter Park, Steve O'Connor gets sent for the umpfeenth time. And another Hakoah star is seen on TV mouthing the following the team of the team o

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FORZA JUVE!

Rimischiare la stessa minestra non curera' i mali del calcio

Mancano ancora due giornate alla conclusione del campionato di Lega Nazio-nale (anche se l'ultima partita si giochera' fra quattro settimane a causa dell'in-terruzione dovuta al torneo internazionale) e gia si cominciano a sentire critiche piu' o meno valide da ogni angolo al formato della com-petizione, accoimpagnate da suggerimenti piu'o meno vaghi di come ristrutturare la Lega il prossimo anno!

Nemmeno la precedente assicurazione che la competizione sarebbe rimasta esattamente uguale a quest'anno per almeno un altro camionato sembra valere un granche. Tanto e' vero che il presidente della Lega stessa, Sam Papasavas, ha dichiarato recentemente che la situazione dovra' essere riesaminata a fine anno.

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Per cominciare, gia' l'argomento della retrocessione e promozione, almeno nei girone meridionale, sembra muovamente pur deservata de la compositato della retrocessione del girone meridionale, sembra muovamente pur della compositato della compositato del victoria con estrema facilitat, ha gia' fatto sapere di non essere interessato a buttarsi nell'avventura della NSL, il rifutto del Croydon City darebbe l'opportunita' di promozione alla seconda classificata, probabilmente il Morvell' Falcorio, con consone pero gia' l'anno scorso declino' il salto di categoria.

Le critiche al formato della competizione, e il rifutto di squadre di Lega Statale ad accettare la promozione sola massima coimpetizione nazionale (e in misura inferiore l'intero calcio australiano) soffre di un male che e' generale quasi tutti gli sport di massa. costi in continuo accesa e seguito di pubblico in continuo declino.

Non saranno certamente eventuali en-

continuo declino.

Non saranno certamente eventuali ennesimi cambiamenti al formato delia
competizione che risolveranno il problema E poi, onestamente, che cambiamenti
potrebbero esser fatti ancora dopo che
ie provato praticamente tutto, da girone
unico a due gironi collegati da "challenge
matches", a due gironi completamente
separati, a cope, a tornei finali e finalissime nazionali?

Val la pena tornare al girone unico che

issime nazionali?

Val la pena tornare al girone unico che e stato abolito due anni fa perche' non funzionava? Oppore val la pena sganciare le squadre di Brisbane e di Adelaide dal girone meridionale per rimpoatzarle con club che hanno gia' dimostrato di non averalcum interesse a partecipare ad una compezizione che costa di piu' e rende di

provide the total diplot related to memory proprior non crediamo che esista la formula magica per risolvere i problemi el calcio nazionale semplicemente ristrutturando il formato della Lega.

L'unica soluzione sarcebe queella di migliorare il livello dello spettacolo in senso generale e, sopratutto, di reperire di quache modo "stelle" capaci di trascinare le folle allo stadio.

Ormati il calcio e altri sport simili non sono piu l'unico tipo di passatempo di fine settimana alla portate delle masse I di versisi, le alternative ed i mezzi finanziari per dedicarsi ad altre attivita 'ricreative.



Roberto Vieri (a sinistra) e Bortie Mariani durante gli anni che il maestro" richiamava allo stadio migliaia di spettatori.

"maestro" richiamava allo stado mi cio' in condizione di "scegliere" il meglio del molto che offrei l'ocuento il meglio del molto che offrei l'ocuento il meglio del molto che offrei l'ocuento del molto del mancanza di "nomi" nel calcio locale e' tale che non puo' ambire ad attirare le masse indifferenti e nemmeno a riportare allo stadio i tofiso che si sono allontanati in tempi re centi e che magari si sono sparpagliati fra centinaia di squadrette che ogni fine settimanan popolano i campetti dei vari sub-borghi.

Cellituran o superio del vari subbaghi

per riempire gli stadi (almeno in maniera decrorsa) non bastano piu' ie
squadre fatte da undici giocatori che si
confondo nell'anonimato e danno vita ad
uno 'spettacolo' che piu' o meno e' una
ripettizione di tante partitei viste in precedenza fino alla noia.

Che differenze fa se la Juventus di Melbourne gioca contro il Brisbane Lions o
contro il Green Gully, contro il Wollongong o contro il Croydon City? Anzi negli
ultimi tempi sembra che sia piu' o meno la
stessa cosa anche quando gioca con iul
Croatia, con il Pretson e con l'Hellas!
Pero' alcuni anni fa un Roberto Vieri
rie veniva a giocare a Melbourne elle
file del Marconi richiamava nelle
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migliata di tifiei tilanda unne se l'avveni a locale era ulana quadra non itallana.

iana
Il periodo d'oro del calcio negli Stati
Uniti e' stato quello in cui i Pele e i Beckenbauer facevano prodeze nelle file del Cosmos; il calcio in Italia ha raggiunto
nuovi apici da quando sono emersi i Rossi,
Tardelli, Conti e Cabrini e, ancor più', da
quando sono arrivati i Falcao, Zico, Platini, Boniek e Maradona

quando sono arrivati i Falcao, Zico, Platini, Bonick e Maradona
E' innegabile che ai giorni d'oggi ili
fisos e' diventato più estgente a che non
e' più disposto a soportare passivamente
la mediocrita e la prevedibilità della
squadra del cuore o della squadra che rappresenta un particolare motivo companilistico sia esso da citta' a citta' o da
gruppo etnico a gruppo etnico Però core
a vedere i fuoriclasse, i nomi, gli "eroi
della domenica".

Quanti giocatori che rispondono a
queste aspettative militano nelle squadre
locali? Chi e' il giocatore che fa parlare
delle sue prodezze me bar, suit posti di
lavoro, nei vari ritrovi degli appassionati
di calcio? Quante azioni di una partita
rimangono nella memoria degli spettatori
per più di poche ore?

Noi pensiamo che l'unico modo di scuotere le masse midifferenti e di giustificare
l'enorme apparato del calcio nazionale,
sia quello di cominciare a guaradare alla
qualita e di ridurre la quantita, non certo
di cambiare e ricambiare il formato del

laia di spottatori.

aspetta i Zico e i Maradoina, intendiamoci), e i mezzi finanziari per ingaggiarli dovrebbe essere un giochetto rispetto agli sforzi e alle spese che ormai si affornano da aman per mantenne cili potto di contra del potto di contra dello spettacolo de di red al punto di vista dello spettacolo e del seguito che riescono a crearis. Per noi non e' questione di dove trovare i giocatori ed i mezzi, ma semplicemente di trovare unanimata di intenti fra le varie federazioni, le varie leghed i vari drigenti che il piui delle volte non vedono piu' lontano dei Joro nasi e si creano difficila a vicenda per meschini motifi di convenenza di parte o semplicemente per personalismi.

piu' Jontano dei Joro nasi e si creano difficiolia a vicenda per meschini motivi di convenienza di parte o semplicemente per personalismi:

Tornando alle vicende di questo campionato nazionale, l'unica nota positiva della ventesima giornata per la tifoseria italiana e 'stata la vittoria dell'Inter Monaro sulla consorella Marconi (ridotta dieci uomini per quasi tutta la rispressa a causa dell'espuisione di Carter). La squadra di Canberra ha ancora qualche possibilità di conquistare la quinta pottro, ma motto tenue poiche il disastroso inizio di stagione le ha lascata una pessima differenze reti (28 segnate contro 3 subite) per cui orrebbe rimotare la beli correge oppossibilisme de partice di Carteri La Cart

ΤΑ ΝΕΑ ΤΩΝ ΟΜΑΔΩΝ ΜΑΣ ΑΠΟ ΤΟ ΣΗΜΕΙΟ ΤΟΥ ΠΕΝΑΛΤ



Ο Χόκαν Σάντμπεργκ, ο Σουηδός σέντερ φορ της ΑΕΚ θα είναι από τα βασικά στελέχη

SLOVENSKA

ZVEZDA IGRA SEST UTAKMICA

Holandiani su otkazali turneju po Australiji, ali Zvezda sigurno dolazi, sto je za nas Jugoslovene najvaznije. Ne samo sto dolazi, vec ce odigrati sest umesto cetiri utekmice kako je ranije najavljeno.

Pored cetiri susreta na Medjunarodno turniru, koji e igra po bod sistemu, Crvena ce odigrai jednu utak-iicu u Newcastlu, a u Adelaidi ce 13. avgusta zavrsiti

turneju. Porto Zvezde iz jnostranstva dolazi samo AEK iz Atie, koji za pravo cudo nema ni jednog jugoslovenskam koji za pravo cudo nema ni jednog jugoslovenskam Hajduk biti najdrazi u februarau 1998. godine. Ocekujemo da vidimo fudbal na najvisoj razini, jako je nas fudbal trenutno ukrizi. Zvezda se ojacala u prelaznom roku i borice se za prvu nagradu, koja je proslog puta pripala Australiji. Prema poslednjim vestima direktor klubo Tagan Dzajic najavio je dolazak sa "crveno-belom" ekspedicijom u nedelju 28. jula u Melburn, gde ce ve u sredu 31. jula Zvezda odigrati prvu utakmicu na turniru.

DRAMATICNA ZAVRSNICA

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JUST ne bi bio jugoslovenski klub kada bi svoj problem resio na vreme. Ovako je pitanje opstanka u Nacionalnojligi ostavljeno za jedan minut pre ponoci. Posle poraza u susretu sa Brisbane Llousom na svom transportanje proposloveni proposloveni

Sielci: Briam O'Donnell, Gove recession before Brici.

MAKEDONIJA se vratila sa jednim bodom iz Brisbana, goé se nastavila stara prica sa sudijama. U nedelju 23. jula "crveno-crni" docekuju West Adeladu, koja je sa povratkom Honeymana pokazala da ima ostre zube.

Melbourne Croatia je uzela jedan bod Hellasu zahval jujuci debelom ofsajdu, a u nedelju 23. jula ima jos tezi posao da obavi protiv ranjenog Juventusa.

VARDAROV "JO-JO"

VARIJAROV "JO-U"

Altona Gate/VARDAR — Doveton 1: 0 (0: 0). Opet su igraci Vardara napravili tznenadjenje, ali ovog puta ugodno za svoje navljace. Odbrana je lunacki izdrzala sve napade gostlju niz vetar, a posle odmora najbolji igrac ove utakmice Mile Micevski osigurao je Altoni Gate oba boda elektnim golom u 54. minutu. Par minuta kasnije gosti su ostali sa 10 igraca, jer je desni halt Zaradio crveni kartoin zbog posvke. Umesto da popuste, gosti su zaigrali mnogo bolje i opasnije dok se nisu umorili, tako da je zavrsnica opet pripala Altoni gate.

Sastav Altone Gate: Dany Lacok, Ace Petrovski,

Altoni gate.

Sastav Altone Gate: Dany Lacok, Ace Petrovski,
Alex Zdravevski, Lube Talevski, Chris Talevski
(Goran Georgijevski od 85. minuta), Jimmy Keba-

kovski, Boris Gelevski, Mlle Micevski, Zlatko Velja-novski, Gus Figuroa, Mendo Ristovski Najbolji igr-aci: Milan Micevski, Chris Talevski iako je igrao bo-lestan i Dany Lacok. Oslabljena rezerva je povela sa 1.0 preko Mayo Mantella, ali je kraj utakmice glasio 5:1 (0:1) za drugi tim Dovetona. Najbolji za Altonu Gate Dragi Mitevs-ki, Bili Nikolevski i Mayo Mantello. U subotu 27. jula Altona Gate je gost Doncaster Ro-versa.

ODLOZENA UTAKMICA U RINGWOODU

DILIZENA UTARWILLA U HENEWWUUDI Zbog sudje keji je vedio predigru nije odigrana utakmica prvih timova izmedju Riagweed Utd/SR-BIJE i Sandringhama. Teren je vee bio pod vedom i pretio da se pretvort u kaljugu ako se edigra predigra. Uzalud su bili protesti, rezervni sudija je vodio o sebi reacuna. Rezerve su igrale nereseno 1:1, dok ce prvi timovi igrati kasnije kada se pojavi zgoda prilika. Royal Richmond/SINDJELIC je osvojio vazan bod u Geelongu, gde je igrao nereseno 2:2 protiv Bell Parka, ali se jos nije odlepio od zadnjeg mesta. U subotu 27. jula docekuje North Geelong, koji je pre-ndent za prvo mesto.

GUZVA NA VRHU TABELE

TRECE DIVIZUE

SPRINGVALE UNITED — Essendon City & 1
(21). "Plavi" su se dostojno revansirali za poraz u
prvom delu prvenstva, iako su gosti i ovog uta ovel sa
1º u 20. minutu. Izjednacio je Zahld Tepic u 3º minutu, posto je sav posao obavio Milan Stojilovic.
Pred sam odlazak na odmor Dragan Janjic je sa 20
metara povisio na 2·1 za "plava" Posle odmora,
domaci igraci su uz pomoc vetra potupno razbili vjetekovu cetu. Golovi su padali sledecim redom: Cane
Velevski u 54., Milan Stojilovic u 55. i Emil Petrov u
56. minutu.

Bilo ie ins tri do ostojilovic

56. minutu.
Bilo je jos tri do cetiri lepih prilika da se ostvari dvocifren režultat, ali Essendon se srecno izvukao.
Sastav Springvale utd: Zoran Mandic, Djuro Svrcev, Milenko Cullbrk, Dragoslav Jelicic, Stevan Janjic, Dragan Janjic Hilko Kalm od 75. minuta), Boris Maricic, Emil Petrov. Zahid Tepic, Milan Stojilovic, Aleksandar Velevski. Rezerve Johna Skomrl ji Milan Tomic.

Maricic, Emil Petrov. Zahid Tepic, Milan Stojilovic, Aleksandar Velevski. Rezerve Johna Skomrl ji Milan Tomic.

U prdigri je rezerva Essendona pobedila sa 5:3 (2:1), uz pomoc trenera "plavih" Steve Janjica, koji je postigao dva autogola i demoralisao svoju ekipu. Strelci za "plavu" "rezervu: Daniel Karov, Joe Francisti i Nebojsao Pragojevic.

U subotu 27. Jula "Plavi" su gosti Bulleena na igralistu Veneto Social Cluba, 191 Bulleen Road.

WILLIAMSTOWN/MLADOST — Clayton 3:2 (2:1). "plavi" su lepo poceli 1 poveli vec u 3. minutu preko Borisa Srbinovskog. U 25. minutu Ion Pitt je povislo iz solo akcije na 2:0.

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Umesto da pregaze grogiranog protivnika, "plavi" su naglo stali, sto su gosti iskoristili da smanje na 2:1. a na samom poceku drugog poluvremena izjednace. Na srecu, Ion Pitt je bio u dobroj Iormi i jos boljem supovoginju pa je na vreme osigumao pobedu "plavistav Mladosti. Ciric, Lavcanski, Stefanovic, Dimoski (Beker) Butic, Trajkovski, Mudrinic, Ivkovic, Pitt, Vujic, Srbinovski.

Rezerva je pobedelia sa sa 2:1 (1:0) Strelci Marko Gvozdic i Dragan Belurov.

U subotu 27 jula Mladost je gost West Brunswicka u Port Melboirnu, Murphy Reserve, Williamstown Rd. My 56 K.1.

Hawthorn — CRVENA ZVEZDA 3:2 (2:2). Strelci a Zvezdu, koja je nastupila bez cetri tiljucna igraca: Sasa Milenkovic u 25 i Dragan Milenkovic u 35 minutu.

PASCOE VALE/FELISTER — East Geelong/MA-KEDONIJJA 4:1 (1:1). Strelci: Tow Centarine 5 i

PASCOF VALE/PELISTER — East Geeleng/MA-KEDOINIJA 6:1 (1:1). Strelci: Tony Centarrine 5 i Frank Brogenja, dok su gesti pestigli pocasni gel iz

Τελικά και άπ'δτι μαθαίνω ή παραίτηση τού προέδρου τού 'Ολύμπικ κ.Τζιμ Πετινέ λη έπδ τδ έκτελεστικό σώμα του Ν/2 δέν έγινε δεκτή άπό του γραμματέα κ.Καμάζ. ΄ ποι δ έκλεκτός καί πετυχημένος πρόεδρος πγραμένει καί στό πόστο αύτδ.

Νελόμε γιά πολύ περίπτωση. Πρό ήμερών στήν διάδα των νέων τής ΄ Ελλάς γινόταν

τό σώσε. ΄ Άπουσα παράγοντα να λέει για άλλον "συνάδελωδ" του ότι "έδωσε άξοα στούς μικοούς"οί όποίοι κάνουν καί.. άτειλές. "Ακουσα κάτοιον άλλο νά λέει γιά τόν

προπουητή Τόνυ μπράουν ότι έχει κάνει ... "κλίκα" με μερικούς παίκτες... Αν είναι δυνατόν:

και τέλος άπουσα και κάτι άπόμη: Ήως είναι ή τελευταία χρονιά αύτή τού προ πουητή στήν Έλλάς:

Κι' δλα αθτά λέγουται παρακαλώ... έμπι στευτικά. Τό άκοδσατε; 'ώμπιστευτικά.

TI KANOYN OI AHAGESTE

Μετά άπό την δήλωση πού έκανε δ άντιπρόεδρος τής Ελλάς σέ άγγλόφωνη έφημε-ρίδα σχετικά με τό οίκονομικό θέμα τού συλλόγου, τρόμαξε δ διευθυντής τής τράπετας μέ την δποία συνεργάζεται ή κυανόλευκη δυάδα καί έσπασε τά τηλέπωνα.

Όχι τίποτε άλλο άλλά νά είναι καί σί γουρος γιά τά λεπτά του. ... Μά γίνονται τέτοιες δηλώσεις;

MIA KAAH IARA

Πρώην παράγων μεγέλου μας σωματείου δ δποίος βλέπει πώς ή δμάδα του είναι μέ σα οίκονομικά μέχρι τόν λαιμό, έδωσε τήν ίδέα: "Γαιδιά διαλύστετο τώρα πού είναι νωρίς καί ξαναφτιάξτε μιά όμάδα άπό την άρχη..."

EYAO KAI ETO DOYTY

Έπεσαν μπουνιές μέ τό τσουβάλι στόν άγωνα Νόρθ Μέλμπουρν-Τζηλόγκ στό περιβόπτο αύστραλέζικο φουτμπώλ.

'Όχι τίποτε άλλο άλλά γιά νά μή λένε μδ νο γιά τό ποδόσφαιρο. Τό μόνο καλό στήν περίπτωση αθτή είναι πώς οί φίλαθλοι πο τε δεν μπαίνουν στό γήπεδο γιά νά χειρο τερεύσουν την κατάσταση.

΄Η μόνη περίπτωση είσδδου φιλάθλων μέ σα στόν άγωνιστικό χώρο, σημειώθηκε σ'ενα άγώνα στό φράνηστον.

STEIRAN HONO ... 9

Λίγες μέρες μετά την άνάδειξη τού νέου Δ.Συμβουλίου τού πέγα, οί παραιτήσεις δί νουν καί παίρνουν.

Στσι τώρα έμειναν μόνο 9 άτομα καί δπως μαθαίνω θά λιγοστέψουν άκόμη.

H MAAPINTA MONTA MYON TÎTAO

Καλύτερη σέ όλο τό διάστημα ή Κλαρίντα νίκησε στό γηπεδό της καί την Ισέλση μέ Ι-Ο καί βρίσκεται κοντά στόν τίτλο.

Τό τέρμα πέτυχε ό Κωνσταντίνου στό 75' καί έπαιξαν οί Ιωακειμίδης, Κων/νου, Κον τέσι, Β. Γκατζώνης, Η. Αποστολόπουλος, Χόλμς Νίτσικας, Ούγκρίνης, Α. Γκατζώνης, Α. Χαραλά μπους (83 Δημητρούδης) Α. Αποστολόπουλος,

(72' Κούτσικος).
'Η Β' δμάδα νίκησε 5-Ι(Κόφας 2,Δράκος, Νάστας καί Δημητρούδης).

KAIOTON XIA: AND ENAITE KAI EXADE

Τό Κλίφτον Χίλ πού είχε μιά θαυμάσια πο ρεία καί βάδιζε άπό νίκη σέ νίκη, άφησε δύο βαθμούς μέσα στό γήπεδο τής Κπορώνια μέ ήττα 2-Ι άπό την τοπική δμάδα.

"Η έλληνική δμάδα πού ήδη τής λείπουν οί Στρατάκης - Λορέντζι Μ.,δέν είχε καί τδν πρώτο σκόρερ τού πρωταθλήματος Χρήστο Ανδριώτη τόν δποίον δέν μπόρεσε νά τόν άναπληρώσει κανένας συμπαίκτης του. Στό 8' τό Κλίφτον προγήθηκε με τόν Τυ-ρίκο Ι-Ο άλλά στό 22' οί γηπεδούχοι (σο

Καί ένω τό Κλίστον ήταν άνωτερο σε όλο τό δι²στημα στό 4° άπό σφάλμα άμυνόμενου δέχτηκε καί δεύτερο τέρμα.

Στήν έπανάληση οί παίκτες του Κλίφτου άν καί δέν ήταν στήν ήμερα τους,προσπά Εησαν χωρίς άποτέλεσμα.

΄π διαιτησία τού κ.δ . ΤΑΚΑ ήταν πολύ καλή καί σωστά μοίρασε τίς κάρτες στούς παίκτες καί των δύο δυάδων.

OF WINYEY, OF KAI AN MEYNOF PHE CAMAZ

Σίναι λυπηρόν νά βλέπει κανείς σέ μεγά-



λη διάδα, όπως είναι ή Αλλάς, άνθρώπους, οί δποίοι παρουσιάζονται γιά δπεύθυνοι σε κάποιον τομέα άλλά θασικά είναι άνεύ

by Manos

Milios

Συγκεκοιμένα κανένας δέν σκές της υδ τηλεσωνήσει σε μια έσημερίδα έλληνική καί νά πεί ότι ό ϊέρου δέν Ρά έπαιζε στόν άγώνα με τήν προάτια, λόγω του ότι είχε δ παίκτης συμπληρώσει κίτρινες κάρ Τό ξαναλέω είναι λυπηρόν καί σάν παράδειγμα θά άντφέρω τον πρώην πρόεδρο κ.Ανεζάκη πού έστω και τελευταία στιγμή κατάφερνε νό ένημερώνει τόν Τύπο.

SYXEE AND THE KAAPINTA

AUVOL!

'Ο ποδοσφοιριστής τής Ελαρίντας Χρήστος Δημητρούδης, άναχωρεί την Δευτέρα γιά μδ νιμη έγκατάσταση στήν ' Αλάδα.

Tό Δ.Σ. τ'ς κλα ρίντας καί οί συμπαίκτες του, τού εθχουται καλή Τύχη.

MONO YHEPOKH A W EFFAND Z O KMAHIANT

Τδ κώλφηλυτ άν και είχε όλο τό παιγυίδι μέ τό μέρος του,τελικά έχασε άπό τό καλδ Ηπροντμέντος το όποιο βρήμε στο 39 τον όρομο για τα δίχτυα του χώκ. Ή έλληνική δμάδα είχε εύκαιρίες τίς δ-

ποίες δέν άξιοποίησε. Έπαιξαν οί Χώκ, Μπιτσώνης, Τσιτιρίδης, Κουλάκας, Κούτος, Τοφάρης (80' Χαμακιώτης) Αβραάμ, Αμανατίδης, Ζέμενικ, Τοπαλίδης, Σαχινίδης (65' Διονυσόπουλος). Ή Β'δμάδα έφερε Ι-Ι.

TO EAOYO OKAH TA KATADEPE

΄ εκτός έδρας τό 'Ωκλη πήρε μία άκόμη νί καί τούς δύο βαθμούς.

θύμα του τό Γουάβερλυ πού τελικά έχασε I-O μέ φάουλ πού πέτυχε ό Παλζίνα στό 30' τής συνάντησης.

Καλύτεροι από την νικήτρια ήταν οί Ταλίδης. Στογιάννου καί Στεργίου δ δποίος είχε καί ένα δοκάρι.

ЕХАБЕ ТО ЕНПАБНУ

Τό 'Εμπασσυ άν και προηγήθηκε στό σκόρ με τον Κουτζάμπαση έπε του Γκάρντεν ΣΕτυ στό ιδρτ ιέλμπουρυ, τελικά ύπέκυψε μέ 4-Ι. ή ήττα ήλθε άπό λανθασπένες άλλαγές πού έγιναν μετά τό Ι-Ι.

υπαιξαν οί Σαρρής (Σελλινάς)Γιαννίκος Ιπράταν, Κουνέλης, Τζιμόπουλος, Ρενάτο, Ιαν τέλογλου, Αϊβατζίδης, Ηλιάδης, Κουτζάμπασης και Ιιαπαδημητρίου.

'Από τό Γκάρυτεν ξεχώρισαν οί Τ. Γανθόπουλος, Εάθης, Σβίγγος καί Γ. Αναστασιάδης

ΆΛΛΑΞ ΣΗΤ ΑΙΛΑΠΟΣΙ ΗΧΩΤΦ

Χωρίς νά δείξει καί στά 90' λεπτά τής συνάντησης με την Κροάτια, έστω καί ένα συνδυασμό της προκοπής, ή ώλλας κατάφερε μέ τον Ηγκαν νά ίσοσποίσει στο 84' τήν γηπεδούχο τού 'Ολύμπων Πάρκ που εί χε προηγηθεί στό 64° με τον Γοιιδύοντ. Πεσμένη ή ποιότητα καί λίγες οί φάσεις φωτιάς μπροστά στίς δύο έστίες. Κόπημαν 3.600 είσιτήρια.

TEAIKA ZHIHEE EYFINGMH

Όταν μπήμε τό γμόλ της Έλλας στό 84' τής συνάντησης μέ την Κροάτια, μιά δμάδα σιλάθλων της κυανολεύκου, πέταξε μέσα στόν άγωνιστικό χώρο τρία πυροτεχνήματά άπδ έκείνα πού βγάζουν τόν κόκκινο καπ-

Συγχρόνως δ διευθυντής του 'Ολύμπικ Πάρκ άναστατώθηκε γιατί φοβήθηκε μή γίνει ζημιά στό ταρτάν πού είναι γύρω-γύρω άπό του άγωνιστικό χώρο.

΄ Δτσι σε μιά στιγμή δ κ.Γκόρντον Χόλμς άκουστηκε νά λέει άπό τά μεγάφ να: "Η φερόσαστε έτσι οί έλληνες φίλαθλοι,οί φίλοι τής προάτιας δέν κάνουν έτσι.." πετά του άγώνα θερμόσιμοι όπαδοί τής Έλλας του ζήτησαν έξηγήσεις και τελικά δ κ.Χόλμς παραδέχθηκε ότι έκανε λάθος καί ζήτησε συγγνώμη.

""Ήταν -είπε - τόση ή ταραχή μου γιά νά μή γίνει ζημιά στό Ταρτάν πού όμολογώ ότι έκανα λάθος".

ΟΙ ΥΠΟΧΡΕΏΣΕΙΣ

'Όταν οί παράγοντες ένδς συλλόγου προσλαμβάνουν ένα προπονητή, έπόμενο είναι νά έχουν καί τίς άπαιτήσεις τους. Τά πά τα τακτοποιούνται μέ ένα συμβόλαιο μέ τό όποίο βαδίζουν καί οί δύο πλευρές. Οί άπαιτήσεις όμως είναι καί άπό τους τεχνικούς στό οίκονομικό θέμα καί δέν νομίζουμε πώς ολ ποέπει να κάνουν τούς Σπειάνους χιά να πάρουν τα λεπτά τους.



OLYMPIC BALLAYS



NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE ROUND 21 27 & 28th JULY

SOUTHERN DIVISION



BILL MURRAY

PRESTON MAKEDONIA
vs
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS

at CONNOR RESERVE 3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-PRESTON

FRANKSTON PINES at 12.45 pm



STEVE SHORT

GREEN GULLY
VS
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.

at GREEN GULLY RESERVE 3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-GREEN GULLY vs FOOTSCRAY at 12.45 pm



JOHN MARGARITIS

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS

VS

MEL BOURNE GROATIA

MELBOURNE CROATIA

at OLYMPIC PARK No.2 3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME: BRUNSWICK vs CROATIA at 12.45 pm



LEN McKENDRY

STH MELB HELLAS

VS

BRISBANE CITY

at MIDDLE PARK 3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-STH MELB vs CROYDON CITY at 12.45 pm



EDMUND KREFT

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS

VS

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS

at OLYMPIC SPORTS FIELD
2.30 pm SUNDAY
VIC YOUTH GAME:FAWKNER
vs
SUNSHINE GEORGE
CROSS

AT VENUE T.B.A.



GORDON ARROWSMITH

BRISBANE LIONS VS HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER

> at RICHLANDS 3 pm SUNDAY

VIC YOUTH GAME:-NUNAWADING CITY vs HEIDELBERG

AT VENUE T.B.A.

NORTHERN DIVISION

MARCONI VS PENTRITH CITY at MARCONI STADIUM 3 pm SUNDAY

ST GEORGE VS SYDNEY CITY at ST GEORGE STADIUM 3 pm SUNDAY

BLACKTOWN CITY VS APIA LEICHHARDT

at GABBY STADIUM 3 pm SUNDAY

SYDNEY OLYMPIC VS SYDNEY CROATIA
at VENUE T.B.A. 3 pm SUNDAY

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD VS INTER MONARO at Adamstown oval 2.30 pm saturday

CANBERRA OLYMPIANS VS WOLLONGONG CITY

at NATIONAL SPORTS STADIUM 3 pm SUNDAY